August 14, 2016

First Presbyterian Church

The Thirteenth 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 Liturgist: Rev. Chris Campbell 8:30 Lay Leader: Diane Terwilliger 11:00 Lay Leader: Jim C Quick

Organist: Julane Swank

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 Del and Jan Fogg.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Ephesians 4:32

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Prelude Beautiful Saviour Flor Peeters

Call to Worship from Psalm 107

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice; let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits,

And in his Word I hope.

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning.

More than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

Let us worship God!

Introit In Gratitude, In Worship

ANCIENT BEAUTY

§ Hymn 652

A Grateful Heart

ROCKINGHAM

§ Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, we confess how easy it is to be disobedient to your will and teachings. We need your help to make our behavior consistent with yours.

Forgive us when our words have been less than truthful. Inform us with your Spirit so that we speak your truth at all times. Forgive us for using anger to manipulate and control. Direct us with your Spirit that we might handle our anger responsibly.

Forgive us when our words have been thoughtless and off-hand. Instruct us with your Spirit so that our words truly bring grace to those who hear. Renew us with your Spirit so that our words and actions are pleasing to You. 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 181

Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit

EBENIZER

Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:17–32

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.

Anthem

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring Michael Morey, guitar J. S. Bach

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright; Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring soar to uncreated light.

Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned, Striving still to truth unknown, soaring, dying 'round Thy throne.

Scripture Reading

Luke 11:24-28

New Testament page 73

The Sermon

Walking in Obedience

Rev. McDermott

Responding

§ Affirmation of Faith

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.

Offertory

Allegro from Concerto No. 2

G. F. Handel

§ The Doxology

Lasst uns Erfreuen

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 35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty Lobe Den Herren § Charge and Benediction the congregation joins hands § Postlude Fugue in G Major J. S. Bach C3 Comments for Contemplation Walking in Obedience Ephesians 4:17–32, Luke 11: 24–28 1. That is to say, that too many of us have refused to follow where Jesus has led us, and where he has shown us the way of new life, the kingdom life, and the eternal life that walks in obedience to Christ Jesus. We have not replaced our bad habits like our old sweaty clothes with habits or new clothes that Christ provides for us.. 2. Jesus Christ died for our sins and was raised from the dead not merely to help us with our selfesteem, but rather to transform our lives and make us into _____ disciples who are growing into Christ-likeness. 3. Ogden continues, "Paul is saying that the Christian life is a lifelong process of taking off the soiled, tattered garments of our sinful nature, and being dressed with a fresh set of clothes that will _____ us into beings reflecting God's holiness and righteousness." 4. We should not try to pretend and rationalize that our behavior that offends God is somehow okay and good. As human beings we have an amazing capacity for self-deception. But do not be deceived; God is not mocked, and we cannot somehow tweak our _____ into something acceptable to the Lord. 5. So we shouldn't think that we can get rid of the bad and evil habits in our lives without also filling our lives with the One who _____ them out in the first place that that is the Lord. 6. We are to walk in obedience, not to a rule or a law or a code or a principle. We are to obey the _____ of the Lord and follow his Word.

Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community

New Members Class begins Sunday, August 28th at 9:45 a.m. in Room 214 (in the brown hallway)

Week One: "Your Story: A Journey with the Living Christ"

—This is a chance to share our journeys of faith with one another, and learn about one another.

Week Two: "On Being a Christian in a Postmodern World"

—What it means to be a Christian and why it is so vitally important in today's world.

Week Three: "Christian, Protestant, Reformed, Presbyterian"

—This will help us understand the blessings and issues of our particular tradition in the family of faith.

Week Four: "On Being Sent: Relational Ministry, Missional Discipleship and Incarnational Witness"

—A chance to learn about gifts, equipping, ministry and mission.

Women's Bible Study

The Monday Night Women's Bible Study will resume Monday, September 19 at 6 p.m. in the church Parlor. All women are invited. The 2016-17 study is the Horizon's Guide (**Who Is Jesus** by Judy Yates Siker) and books can be found in the church copy room on the counter, clearly marked.

Cost is \$8 for the book. Please place your payment (if check payable to FPCA, in memo field add "Womens Bible Study") in the designated envelope and add your name to the list for picking up your copy. The September meeting is a potluck, so bring a favorite dish.

Questions? Contact Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com)

Back to School Supplies Drive

There will be a Back to School Supplies Drive for Carter Jr. High students on Thursday, August 18, 2016 in the Fellowship Hall from 3pm-6pm.

Families of kids from Carter who are in need of school supplies will stop by on this day to pick up school supplies donated by the church.

Please contact Adrian Rodriguez at adrian@firstprestexas.org or 817-734-2726 if you would like to help pass out school supplies.

FPCA Fantasy Football

If you're interested in participating in a relaxed fantasy football league for a good cause, please contact Pastor Chris to join the FPCA fantasy football league!

A date for the draft will be determined once enough teams have entered. The entry fee is \$25 but there's a twist. The payout for the top finishers will not go to the individual, but as a donation to a charity of their choice in their name.

If you have any questions, you can talk with Pastor Chris or email him at chris@firstprestexas.org

Thanks and good luck!

Welcome Our New Organist



We look forward to August 28, when we welcome Joshua Lang as our new permanent organist at First Presbyterian Church.

After a search involving 6 qualified candidates, Josh emerged as a distinctive musician with a heart for music ministry. He will accompany the Chancel Choir, and serve as organist for both worship services, as well as weddings and funerals.

There will be a reception in the parlor after the 11:00 service on August 28, so come by and say hello to Josh!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

CHANGE A LIFE, BECOME A TUTOR

After - School Tutoring

Help with homework, reading and math Work one-on-one with a student in Grades 3-8

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 6PM - 8PM

H.O.P.E. TUTORING CENTER
GOOD SHEPHERD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
2020 S. COLLINS ST.

A light supper will be served. Contact us today to reserve your place.

Call: 817-860-7757
Email us at coordinator.hope@sbcglobal.net or hope_tutoring@sbcglobal.net
Check out our website at: www.hopetutoring.com

Additional training sessions available by appointment

Tutoring Begins September 27, 2016

Tuesday and Thursday 4pm - 5pm or 4:30pm - 5:30pm or 6:30 - 7:30pm

FPCA at the Dallas Wings WNBA Game

Come to hear a quartet from the FPCA Chancel Choir sing the National Anthem before the Sunday, August 28 game at 3:30 pm, at the UTA College Park Center.

Discounted tickets are available by calling 972-822-5888 weekdays before 6 pm.



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

Last Week to Sign Up for
An Interactive Day with
Rev. Dr. Jim Singleton
Assoc. Professor of Pastoral
Leadership and Evangelism,
Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary

Saturday, August 20th 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. First Presbyterian Church of Arlington 1200 S. Collins St., Arlington

Registration (includes lunch)
Beginning 8/11/16 - \$40 per person

Register online at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dfw-fellowshipregional-gathering-through-the-looking-glasstickets-26176053280

Register with cash or check,
Registration forms are in the church office.

Presbyterian Children's Homes Lunch and Texas Rangers Outing

Today come join the youth from the Presbyterian Children's Homes for lunch at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall.

Join in the fun as the Texas Rangers play the Detroit Tigers at 2:00 p.m today. If you want to go to the game, we've got tickets in Section 335 for \$25/ticket.

Contact Adrian Rodriguez or Bob Dawson for tickets. Bob cell: 214-415-5396, Adrian cell: 817-734-2726

Luncheon for Families with Children from Birth to 12th Grade

Sunday, August 28th - 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall

There will be food, play stations for children, stations about KidCheck (the new check in system for kids),
Pray For Me Campaign, Parent Resources, Fall
Activities and more.

Kids Beach Club Leadership Luau

Saturday, September 10th 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Grace Community Church 251 Countryside Ct, Southlake, TX 76092

You can register online at: http://app.funnelmaker.com/events/southlake or see Kyle Terwilliger.

Porchlights to Begin

Porchlights is a church fellowship activity. Groups of members join together for dinner one time each month. Porchlights groups host the meals in their home. A Streetlight group visit various restaurants.

If you have not been in Porchlights before but would like to try it now, please call:

Claudia Johnson 817-253-4541 Sandy Thomlinson 817-522-2080

Come for dessert and to choose groups on Sunday,
August 28, at 3:00 p.m.
in the church Parlor.

Sunday Flowers

Dear Congregation: We love having fresh flowers to make our worship spaces even more beautiful. However, beginning August 1, 2016, FPCA will provide flowers only when people sign up and there is a dedication (we currently have dedications through the month of August). If you would like to sign up to provide a floral arrangement, there are two flower charts: one outside the Chapel and one outside the southern entrance to the Sanctuary. Flowers are placed first in the Chapel for early service and then moved to the Sanctuary for all to enjoy. Then you may take all or part of them home, or request they be distributed by the Congregational Care Team. The standard cost is \$50.00 per arrangement.

Thank you! FPCA Worship Team

This week @ FPCA Prayer Ministry

Sunday 8/14		
	8:30 a.m.	Worship in Chapel
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
	12:00 p.m.	PCHAS Lunch & Rangers
		Outing
	2:00 p.m.	PCGRC
Monday 8/15		
		NEWS Submission Date
Wednesday 8/17		
	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
	2:00 p.m.	DFW Mag Planning
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday 8/18		
	7:00 a.m.	Session Meeting
Friday 8/19		
		End of Summer Camp

Information for the August 28th bulletin should be turned in to the church office today, or emailed to kim@firstprestexas.org by this Monday.

9:00 a.m.

Saturday 8/20

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, Ted Dysart, Wanda Estes, Laura Farnell, Ron Forte, Bobbie Fowler, David Goff, Susan Graham, Margery Harrand, Edna and Ken Harris, Bill Hayden, Lou Hollers, Lisa House, Norman Hulla, Bob Johnson, Doyle Malone, Edna McCoy, Allen Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Olsen, Ann Pitstick, Homer Reynolds, Albert Ross, 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, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, Eric Dill, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Matthew Lopez, Mike Manci, 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. Rich McDermott,
Senior Pastor, at the church office 817-274-8286 or his cell phone: 970-218-3689.
For questions about specific concerns listed above, please contact Juanice Young at juanicey@gmail.com or 817-794-5626.



Presbyterian Leaders

Rev. Dr. Jim Singleton

Workshop with