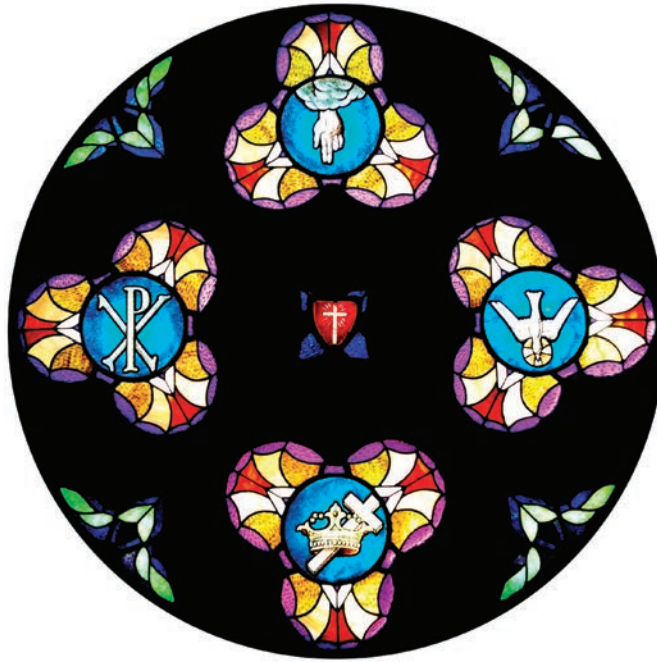


August 21, 2016

First Presbyterian Church

The Fourteenth 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. Dr. James Singleton
Liturgist: Rev. Rich McDermott
Liturgist: Rev. Chris Campbell
Organist: Cheryl Harris

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 Shirley Bragg in remembrance of Louis Bragg
on their 62nd wedding anniversary.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Darrell Guder

*If western societies have become post-Christian mission fields,
how can traditional churches become then missionary churches?*

Prelude

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

arr. Charles Callahan

Call to Worship

Let us give thanks and offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe.

Indeed our God is worthy of our adoration and praise.

Let us worship God!

Introit

Alleluia

Taizé

§ Hymn 265

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

§ Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

**We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to
hear the cry of the needy.**

Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 475

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading

Acts 26:12-18

New Testament page 147

Children's Time (11:00)

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

Anthem	He, Watching Over Israel	Felix Mendelssohn
	<i>He, watching over Israel, slumbers not nor sleeps. Psalm 121:4</i> <i>Shouldst thou, walking in grief, languish, He will quicken thee. Psalm 138:7</i>	
Scripture Reading	Matthew 9:35–38	New Testament page 9
The Sermon	There Is Just One Problem—But It Is Big	Dr. Singleton

Responding

§ Affirmation of Faith Adapted from A Declaration of Faith

We believe in one true and living God. God is greater than our understanding. God created and rules in love. God sustains the goodness of creation. God made us to care for other created things. God made us for life in community.

God makes himself known in Jesus Christ. Jesus lived a truly human life. Jesus was God in the flesh. Jesus died for sinners. Jesus is our living Lord. Jesus was Lord from the beginning. Jesus will be Lord at the end. Even now Jesus is Lord.

The Holy Spirit is God active in the world. The Holy Spirit renews the community of faith. The Holy Spirit helps believers to grow in the new life. The Holy Spirit equips the Christian Community. The Holy Spirit unifies the Christian Church. The Holy Spirit is one with the Father and the Son. Amen.

Offertory Now Thank We All Our God Pachelbel, arr. Hopson

§ 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 69 Here I Am, Lord HERE I AM

§ Charge and Benediction the congregation joins hands

§ Postlude Nuptial Postlude Alexandre Guilmant



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

Happy 45th Birthday to the First Presbyterian Preschool!

It's not too late to register for the school year.
Members get a 10% discount.

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.



This week @ FPCA

Prayer Ministry

Sunday 8/21

8:30 a.m.	Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
2:00 p.m.	PCGRC

Monday 8/22

First day of Preschool

Wednesday 8/24

7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Esther Albright, Chona Pacot Anwar, David Boice, Shirley Bragg, Andrew Bridges, Carl Carpenter, 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, Doyle Malone, Edna McCoy, Allen Miller, Pat Mingle, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Olsen, Ann Pitstick, Jim L. Quick, Albert Ross, Eulabel Sheldon, Linda Smith, Brooks and Connie Taylor, Jerry Thomas, Allen Underwood, Audrey Wallace, Shelby Wolfe 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

Information for the September 4th bulletin should be turned in to the church office today, or emailed to kim@firstprestexas.org by this Monday.

If you have any congregational care needs, please contact Pastor 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.



Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community

New Members Class
Begins next Sunday, August 28th
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"

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.

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 28th at 3:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

The Streetlights group meets for dinner at a restaurant (chosen by the group) the first Thursday of the month.

If you're interested in Streetlights, please contact Lucy. lcleaver@sbcglobal.net or 817-480-4519.

Luncheon for Families with Children from Birth to 12th Grade

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

After the 11:00 service on August 28, we will have food and drinks in the Fellowship Hall for families along with stations for kids to play and parents to find out what is happening in children's ministry. This will include KidCheck, Pray For Me Campaign for the school year, some parent resources about the different phases children go through at various ages, some of the take home materials for Sunday School during the month of September, a chance to interact with or meet your child's Sunday School teacher, learn about new things in KFC, etc.

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. 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)

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!

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.

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!

