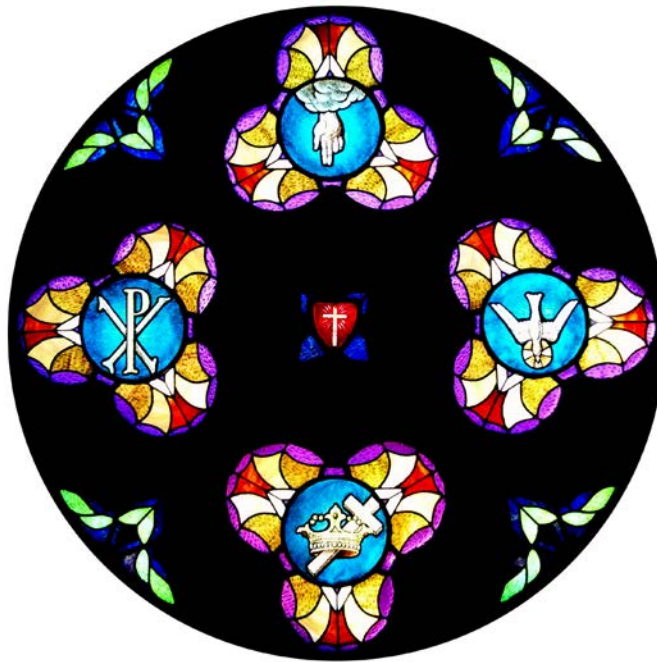


November 13, 2016

First Presbyterian Church

The Twenty 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

Liturgist: Rev. Chris Campbell

8:30 Lay Leader: Phil Austin

11:00 Lay Leader: Jim C Quick

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
Jay Graham in celebrating November 10th, birthday
of beloved wife Susan and the U.S. Marine Corps.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Peter Marshall

*Bless every humble soul who, in these days of stress and strain, preaches sermons without words
in the name of Him who called us to be the servants of all. Amen*

Prelude

Prelude in G major

William H. Harris

Call to Worship

from Psalm 98:1–2; 3b

O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done wondrous things.

His right hand and His holy arm have gotten him victory;

He has revealed His vindication in the sight of the nations

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Let us worship God!

Introit (11:00)

My Being Sings to You

ANCIENT BEAUTY

\$ Hymn 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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\$ Prayer of Confession

Ephesians 4

God, you have made us to live lives worthy of the commission to which we have been called.

But we confess to you and to each other that we have not always spoken the truth in love.

We have not always made every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

**Forgive us, and by your grace help us to grow in every way into him who is our head,
through 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 733

We All Are One in Mission

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Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:11–13, John 20:19–23

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 (11:00)	When In Our Music God is Glorified	Charles Stanford
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*When, in our music, God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried, "Alleluia!"*

*How often, making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!*

*So has the church in liturgy and song, in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
borne witness to the truth in every tongue, Alleluia!*

*And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night when utmost evil strove against the light?
Then let us sing, for whom He won the fight: Alleluia!*

*Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always, Alleluia!*

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Scripture Reading Matthew 6:19–21, 31–34 New Testament page 6

The Sermon	To Be Determined	Rev. McDermott
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Responding

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.

Offertory (text on page 4)	Lift Your Voice in Singing Women's Ensemble	Laura Farnell
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§ The Doxology (Hymn 606) OLD HUNDREDTH

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

§ Affirmation of Faith 1993 BCW, p. 96, No. 2

This is the good news we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Sending

§ Hymn 761 Called as Partners in Christ's Service BEECHER

§ Charge and Benediction the congregation joins hands

§ Postlude	Postlude in D major	Healey Willan
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Lift Your Voice in Singing

Rise up in singing! Rise up in song! Sing a song! Oh people, sing a song of gladness to God! Lift up your voices in jubilant singing! Lift up your voices in song!

Whisper the song that the morning sings. Echo its soft celebration, and sing of what was and what is to be, the jubilant song of creation. Gladness! Wonder! Let your song be love.

Sing a glad song, lift up your voice! Sing a song of jubilation, sing a song! Sing a song of gladness to God. Oh sing out a song of jubilation, sing a song of joy!

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Comments for Contemplation

To Be Determined Ephesians 4:11–13, John 20:19–23, 17–19; Matthew 6:19–21, 31–34

1. I believe that we in the Church have a huge obligation to help bring a measure of civility, wisdom, unity and kindness back into the discourse of our country, regardless of how we voted or how we _____ about the election.
2. Might it be Mary Magdalene, who was a part of the group following Jesus and to whom Jesus first appeared in his resurrection? Could it be Mary, the mother of Jesus, who has played an amazingly important role in the Church throughout the centuries? Could it be Matthew or _____, the tax collector who became a disciple then apostle, and whose name graces the first book of the New Testament?
3. Originally an apostle was one to whom Jesus appeared in his resurrection and then sent forth with the message of good news. It literally means one who is sent. It is my belief that we need to recover the gift of apostleship for the church, so that we may know that _____ are the ones that Jesus is indeed sending with the gospel.
4. Jesus had quite a bit to say about what makes a good life, and what makes a good person. And he was especially harsh on religion's ability to distort human goodness. He came down on those religious folk who were particularly _____, and called them to account.
5. So Jesus sends us out as disciples who are now apostles, emphasizing that we must receive the Holy Spirit in order to get it right, and to embody Christ's mission of _____, forgiving or retaining sins as we discern God's Word and will.
6. Lewis writes, "The Christian way is different: harder and easier. Christ says, "Give Me All. I don't want so much of your time and so much of your money and so much of your work: I want You. I have not come to torment your natural self, but to _____ it. No half-measures are any good. I don't want to cut off a branch here and a branch there, I want to have the whole tree down...."

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 11/13

8:30 a.m.	Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Youth Service
12:00 p.m.	Nancy Sprowell Geise lunch
1:30 p.m.	Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m.	PCGRC

Monday 11/14

3:30 p.m.	Blanton Kids Beach Club
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Tuesday 11/15

	NEWS Submission Date
3:30 p.m.	Ellis Kids Beach Club
6:30 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 11/16

7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
6:15 p.m.	Ring of Praise Handbells
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 11/17

11:30 a.m.	Saints Alive
6:00 p.m.	The Well
6:30 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring
7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting

Friday 11/18

6:00 p.m.	Kids Night Out
6:00 p.m.	Parenting Class

Saturday 11/19

10:00 a.m.	Youth - Frozen Turkey Olympics
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Information for the November 27th 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, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Carl Carpenter, Crystal Castaneda, Kevin Chin, Jerry Colleps, Lee Carol Copeland, Dorothy Curtis, Ted Dysart, Ken Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, Nadine Freeman, Lila Glenn, David Goff, Susan Graham, Dick Haney, Margery Harrand, Edna and Ken Harris, Brandon Hay, Bill Hayden, Doyle Malone, Allen Miller, Mary Ellen Miller, Pat Mingle, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Moulton, Bill Olsen, Jim L. Quick, Albert Ross, Eulabel Sheldon, Linda Smith, Al Smithson, Bob Spriggs, Brooks and Connie Taylor, BJ Thomas (Rev. Larry Thomas' wife), Jerry Thomas, Allen Underwood, Donna Vickers, Jessica Villarreal, 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, 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 Pastor Rich McDermott 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.

Belize Mission Trip 2017 - 365 Fundraiser

Please consider supporting the Belize Mission Team for March 2017 by participating in our fundraiser during November 2016.

We will have 365 envelopes, each with a number from 1 to 365. There are 365 days in a year and each number (therefore each envelope) represents one day of the year. For example, the envelope labeled "\$1" represents January 1st and the envelope "\$365" represents December 31st.

The idea is for church members to select an envelope - either representing a date significant to them, or just a favorite number, etc. - and then return it with a donation of the value corresponding to the number on the envelope. We will have a table set up before and after services (entrance to Chapel and Narthex of Sanctuary) during November.

Please come by, select your envelopes, and return your donation during the month of November.

Checks should be made payable to FPCA and include "Belize Mission" in the memo line. The Belize Mission Team appreciates all of the support from the congregation each year. Our trip would not be possible without your support.

Thank you, The Belize Mission Team

Unique Opportunity!

Nancy Sprowell Geise, author of *Auschwitz #34207: The Joe Rubenstein Story* will be speaking today following the 11:00 a.m. service in the Parlor.

Thank you to those who have let us know you will be attending. We welcome any drop-ins that will understand that we will have already planned for food quantities and chair numbers.

Festival of Tables on December 6

The Festival of Tables will be held on Tuesday, December 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Tickets are available for purchase on Sunday, November 13th and 20th outside the Chapel at 9:30 a.m., outside the Library and Red Hall from 10:30-11:00 a.m. and 12 noon after the 2nd service. Tickets are \$3.00 each.

To have a successful event, we need volunteers to serve as hostesses for the tables.

Contact Bev Koch at 817-261-3202

Thanksgiving Baskets

Thanksgiving Baskets can be turned in anytime before 2:30 p.m. today in the Fellowship Hall or on Monday, November 14th.

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Come to the annual Thanksgiving Dinner next Sunday, November 20 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The meat and dessert will be provided by the Fellowship Team.

If your last name starts with:

A-G Potatoes or dressing

H-O Vegetables

P-Z Salads

FPCA Preschool Art Show

The Preschool will be having an art show in the hallways of the school November 11-18. All pieces of art are only \$30.00!

Stewardship Commitment Sunday

Stewardship Commitment Sunday is today. Please plan to bring your pledge cards forward in worship.

Thank you for prayerfully committing yourself anew to Christ's Kingdom work at FPCA.

Gifts of Hope

FPCA is launching a new alternative gift market that offers a creative and caring way to honor friends and family by donating to a wide range of outreach organizations. The Gifts of Hope cards will be available before and after Sunday worship services from November 27 to December 18, and can be given as gifts to loved ones indicating that a donation has been given in their honor.

Look for more information in coming weeks.

Strengthening Your Family Parenting Class

The Parenting Center will be offering classes at FPCA during Kids Night Out, Friday November 18 and December 2.

The classes are to help equip parents in strengthening families and will cover topics such as positive discipline, communication and establishing values. While the parents attend classes, children in 6th grade and younger will enjoy Kids Night Out. You can start arriving around 6:00 p.m. with dinner starting at 6:20. Classes will be from 7:00-8:00 p.m. with both an English and Spanish class each night. The cost is \$20 for all five sessions. Scholarships are available.

Contact Kyle at 817-274-8268 or kyle@firstprestexas

Music Intern Voice Recital - Nov. 20

One of our Music Ministry Interns, Cassandra Kirby, will be presenting her senior recital soon at UTA, but she is giving a special treat for our church on Sunday, November 20. Cassandra and fellow vocal student, Lillian Bailey will present a preview of their Senior Voice Recital in the Chapel at 7:30 p.m. (after our Thanksgiving dinner). Please come support Cassandra, and be amazed by her beautiful soprano voice!

Advent Festival

On Sunday, December 11, there will be one service in the sanctuary at 11:00.

The Music Ministry of First Presbyterian Church will present an Advent Festival of worship and music featuring "Benedictus," a commissioned work for chorus and orchestra by composer Dan Pinkston.

Don't miss this wonderful worship opportunity!