May 7, 2017

First Presbyterian Church

The Fourth Sunday of Easter



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. Chris Campbell Liturgist: Rev. Rich McDermott 8:30 Lay Leader: Diane Terwilliger

11:00 Lay Leader: Bob Koch

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 Barbara Hughes in honor of the church office staff, and by Lois and Richard Ankele in celebration of their 55th wedding anniversay.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Dear Lord, you are our only hope. Teach us to put our trust in you. God, you are our help. Teach us the path of righteousness and turn us from the ways of the wicked, for we know that you love those who do justice.

We will forever praise you for the glory of your righteous reign, now and forever. Amen.

Introit (11:00) God Is Here With Us R. Farnell

Prelude Voluntary in C Major G. F. Handel

Call to Worship

Let us remind ourselves that it is not we who chose Christ, but Christ who chose us;

That we are not here because of our goodness, but because of Christ's grace;

That we are not here to enlighten ourselves, but to allow Christ to enlighten us;

That we have not come to be entertained but to worship God with heart, soul, mind, and strength.

Let us worship God.

§ Hymn 513 This Is the Feast of Victory

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

First refrain and stanza 1 sung by leader/choir Stanzas 2–5 and refrains sung by the congregation

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Lord, forgive us for our selfishness, for our silence, for not caring enough about all your children. Give us your eyes to see our neighbors and also the strangers we meet.

Teach us what it means to love all others as we love ourselves. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

§ The Gloria Patri Meineke

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 518 Lamb of God Lamb of God

Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 10:1-6 New Testament page 184

Children's Time (11:00)

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

Scripture Reading Mark 12:28-34 New Testament page 49

The Sermon Take Every Thought Captive Rev. Campbell

The Table

Offertory (8:30) Peace George Oldroyd

(11:00) O Taste and See Ralph Vaughan Williams

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is. Blessed is the man who trusteth in him.

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Consecration and the Lord's Prayer sung (see page 4)

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

8:30 - Come forward to partake.

11:00 – Eat the bread as it is served. Hold the cup to drink together.

While passing the elements, you may say, "the body of Christ," and, "the cup of salvation."

Communion Anthem O Lord Most Holy Cesar Franck

Nick Kannenberg, baritone

Prayer after Communion

Sending

§ Hymn 238 Thine Is the Glory Judas Maccabeus

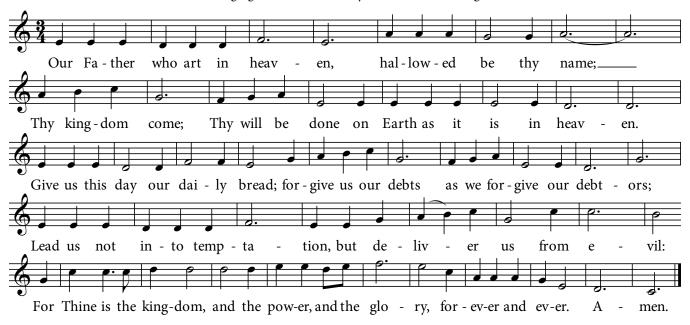
§ Charge and Choral Benediction the congregation joins hands

§ Postlude March in G Major from Judas Maccabeus G. F. Handel

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The Lord's Prayer

for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington, Texas



This week @ FPCA

Prayer Ministry

Sunday 5/7

8:30 a.m. Worship in Chapel 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary 12:00 p.m. Belize Luncheon 1:30 p.m. Children's Music Ministries 2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Tuesday 5/9

6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 5/10

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 5/11

6:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting
6:30 p.m. Preschool Spring Program
6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring
6:45 p.m. Team Meeting Night

Information for the May 21st bulletin should be turned in to the church office today, or emailed to kim@firstprestexas.org by this Monday.

Save the Date - Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be June 5-9, 2017 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Upcoming Youth Activities

Jr. High Youth Camp trip will be June 18-23 High School Youth Camp trip will be July 10-July 14 Please call or email Adrian Rodriguez at 817.274.8286 or adrian@firstprestexas.org if you have questions.

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Esther Albright, Yvonne Babb, Polly Baugh, Parker Bjornson, David Boice, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Crystal Castaneda, Kevin Chin, Jerry Colleps, Lee Carol Copeland, Dorothy Curtis, Bunny Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, Lila Glenn, David Goff, A. Jack Gray, Dick Haney, Margery Harrand, Edna and Ken Harris, Bill Hayden, Doyle Malone, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Kelly Miller, Mary Ellen Miller, Pat Mingle, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Olsen, Cosme Pacot, Jim L. Quick, Albert Ross, Eulabel Sheldon, Linda Smith, Al Smithson, Bob Spriggs, Brooks and Connie Taylor, Kyle Terwilliger, BJ Thomas, Jerry Thomas, Allen Underwood, Donna Vickers, Jessica Villarreal, Sherry Wolfe, Mary Jane Wright

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, Eric Dill, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Mike Manci, Jack Murtha, Stephen O'Neil Sosa, Colin Peden, Jason Polk, Ryan Powell, Ryan Regalado, Christopher Young, 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.

Women's Bible Study

Monday, May 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Church Parlor.

Chapter 7 led by Rev Betsy Pense Potluck dinner After the May meeting, Class will resume in September.

Come and Hear What the Lord is Doing in Belize in 2017!

The 2017 Mission Team would like to invite you to attend a luncheon today at 12 Noon in the Fellowship Hall. We will be sharing video, photos and stories from the 2017 Mission Trip in March. Thank you for your continuing support for this intergenerational mission. We are very grateful for your support and desire to share our experience with the entire congregation. We will also be serving some traditional Belizean Food - Chicken, Rice & Beans!! We hope to see all of you there!!



Financial Peace University

If you have never taken the popular Financial Peace University 9-week course led by the internationally recognized Dave Ramsey, then NOW is the time to sign up! Our new members, James and Katina Gifford, are offering their leadership to this great course which will begin on Monday, June 5th at 6:00 PM here at FPCA. The cost per family is only \$99 and this gives you a lifetime membership in Financial Peace University. Check how to register for the class at http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1040877.

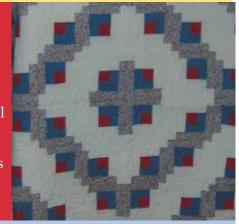
You will be hearing more about this great opportunity, but mark your calendar for Monday evenings starting on June 5th, and find out how to get your financial house in order using solidly biblical principles. For more information, contact Katina Gifford at katinap84@aol.com or call 817-565-3835.

Quilt Raffle

Allena Coburn has made a lovely full-size quilt from fabric donated to the FPCA Happy Quilters. The Quilters are now selling raffle tickets for \$1 each, and the drawing for the quilt will take place at the all-church picnic on June 4.

The raffle money will be added to the Charlie Sheldon Parlor Update Fund and will be used to improve the appearance of our parlor.

Raffle tickets will be available in the Red Hall before the 11:00 service on Sundays through June 4. Contact Sandy Thomlinson, skt1943@aol.com or 817-522-2080, with questions.



The 4-Week New Members Class Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community

Continues in Week 2 at 9:45 a.m. in Room 214

Week Two: "On Being a Christian in a Post-modern 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.

Saints Alive

Thursday, May 18th at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Preschool Spring Program

Thursday, May 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.