June 2, 2019

First Presbyterian Church

Seventh Sunday of Easter



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

Mission Statement:

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

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

Organist: Shina Heo

8:30 Lay Leader: Kathi Dailey 11:00 Lay Leader: Matt Annen

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.

Please silence all phones and devices.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Psalm 122:1

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

Prelude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Benjamin Culli

Call to Worship (Unison)

God raised Jesus up with great honor, and gave Him a name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus, everyone in heaven and on earth and even under the earth might bow down, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Let us worship God.

§ Hymn 667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Laudes Domini

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Eternal God, because you dwell in our hearts, you know how the anger, pain, and bitterness of our lives try to crowd you out. The noise of the world deafens us to that Word which can heal us. Desire for revenge towards those who have hurt us shows that your peace, indeed, is not in us. You promise a new heaven and a new earth, so create new spirits and new lives within us, healing God. Shattered by our sin, you can still heal our brokenness. Your Spirit, living deep within our souls, can teach us faithful ways. Your Word, Jesus Christ our Lord, tells us of your mercy, your hope, and your love.

Please forgive us and heal us, 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 544 Bless the Lord Bless the Lord (Taizé)

Community Joys and Events

The Public Reception of New Members See names in the insert

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading Philippians 2:1–11 New Testament page 197

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 8:14–21 New Testament page 43

The Sermon Knowing the Jesus of History Rev. McDermott

The Table

The Offering of our Tithes, Gifts, & Lives

Offertory (8:30) The Glorious Day Is Come Marcel Dupré

(11:00) See What Love Felix Mendelssohn

See what love hath the Father bestowed on us in his goodness, that we should be called God's own children.

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, broken for you," and, "the blood of Christ, shed for you."

Prayer after Communion

Sending

§ Hymn 238 Thine Is the Glory Judas Maccabeus

§ Charge and Benediction the congregation joins hands

Postlude Now Thank We All Our God Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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(12:00) Narthex at Noon

The Lord's Prayer

for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington, Texas



Comments for Contemplation

Knowing the Jesus of History Philippians 2:1–11; Mark 8:14–21

- He uses a term "the Lord" which, in the Psalms, refers exclusively to Yahweh, the God of Israel, but now, in his sermon Peter applies that term directly to the resurrected Christ. Peter here does something that was ______ done in the Old Testament: he transferred titles for Yahweh, the Lord, the God of Israel, to a human being.
 What we discover from these passages is that from the very beginning of the Christian community's existence, Jewish, monotheistic followers of Jesus were proclaiming him Lord and worshiping him as
- 3. What we know about the New Testament witness to Jesus is that the documents were written in a timeframe that they could be read and affirmed by eyewitnesses. Most of Paul's letters were written within thirty years of Jesus' death and resurrection, and the gospels were all composed before the end of the first century, when eyewitnesses and their disciples could verify accounts. And there are many reasons to argue against the early church ______ things about the Jesus we meet in the gospel accounts.

divine. This is a part of the ______ of the Christian faith.

- 4. He then quotes Psalm 110:1, implying that King David recognized that the Lord God would send a Messiah who was also Lord, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.' Therefore, let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." You see, the Jewish Messiah was expected to come as a human deliverer, not a divine Son of God. But in Jesus Christ, the witnesses now realized that God has made Jesus both Lord and Messiah _______. Is this a line projected into Peter's mouth by the early church? Highly unlikely.
- 5. But the yeast of Herod has the disciples focused on their physical needs, and the yeast of the Pharisees has them posturing to look good for Jesus. Why would the early church make their representatives look so dense and dull in the gospel of Mark? This is embarrassing material to include, unless of course it is historically ______, and then it makes perfect sense to include all that Jesus had to say.

Sunday 6/2		
	8:30 a.m.	Worship in Chapel
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
	12:00 p.m.	New Members Reception
	2:00 p.m.	PCGRC
Tuesday 6/4		
·	9:00 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday 6/5		,
•	8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday 6/7		
•	9:00 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
Saturday 6/8		
·	12:00 p.m.	Youth - End of Year Bash

This week @ FPCA

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Apana Agha, Esther Albright, Elaine Bahn, Jack Bos, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Carl Carpenter, Vannah Caylor, Kevin Chin, Frank Coburn, Edna Collins, Lee Carol Copeland, Michael Deardorff, Laura, Moses and Abe Duffney, Wasim Abusaef, Don Farrell, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, The Gifford Family, Joe and Lila Glenn, Jack Gray, Andrew Hydock, Bob Johnson, Tim Karnes, Gary Lindley, Pat May, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Cosme Pacot, J.D. Paulk, Betsy Pense, Sue Perry, Nita Price, Jim L. and Jo Ann Quick, Sarah Rabb, the family of Jim Reynolds, Jillian Reynolds, Joan and Homer Reynolds, Boyd and Eleanor Schernbeck, Al Smithson, Brooks and Connie Taylor, Kyle Terwilliger, Sara Van Lieshout, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Richard Whitenight, Karl Winter, Mary Jane Wright, Bob Zakrzewski

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

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

For questions about specific concerns listed above, please contact Marge Dawson at mdawsonarltx@att.net or 817-980-6825.

Information for the June 16 bulletin should be turned in to Kim at the church office by this Monday.

Rent-A-Student

Do you have some work you need done around the house? Need someone to take care of that work for you? Well look no more! The Well Students, our very FPCA Youth, would like to take care of those tasks for you. All donations will go towards helping kids go to camp/conference this summer.

Please contact Adrian Rodriguez at adrian@firstprestexas.org or 817-734-2726 to schedule an appointment.

Senior Flexibility Class

Come get fit with us! The Senior Flexibility Class meet on Tuesday and Friday from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is no charge, but participants will be responsible for purchasing and storing their own exercise equipment. If interested, contact Thomas Dombrowsky at 817-287-9773 or tomasdom@sbcglobal.net.

New Members Reception

Today we will have a reception for the New Members at 12:00 p.m. in the church Parlor.

Please come welcome our New Members.

Pentecost Offering

This year our Pentecost Offering is received officially on the Day of Pentecost, June 9, 2019. As with all Special Offerings, times before and after this date, are appropriate for donations also. On Pentecost Sunday, we join Christians around the world to celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit to the church. The Pentecost Offering benefits children-at-risk, youth, and young adults. Forty percent of the offering stays locally, and this year will go to HOPE Tutoring as decided by the Mission and Evangelism Team with Session approval. The other percentage will support General Assembly ministries for youth development.

For more information on the Pentecost Offering see www.pcusa.org/pentecost.

Offering envelopes are available outside the chapel and sanctuary several weeks before the offering and after for several weeks. Please use the Pentecost envelopes or designate on your check or other envelope if you are giving to the Pentecost Offering.

Please help aid youth programs in our city as well as our country and world. The theme this year is "Building a Life of Faith". The Bible verse is "God from my youth you have taught me" Psalm 71:17.

Summer Celebration Dinner and Youth Bake Sale

The Summer Celebration Dinner will be Sunday, July 7, at 12:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Coinciding with the dinner, the Youth will have a Bake Sale at 12 noon outside the Fellowship Hall.

We are in need of baked goods to be donated and any
generous monetary donations on that day will help support kids for camp.

Come join us for some great food and fellowship!

Vacation Bible School - Registration

Monday - Friday June 10-14 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon for children 4 years old to 6th grade.

You can register online at: firstprestexas.org/vbs

Down On The Farm petting zoo will be here Monday & Friday from 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Preschool Summer Camp 2019

June 10 through August 2 Ages 6 weeks through 3rd Grade Monday-Friday 8:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Contact the Preschool to Register at 817-274-4051

Summer Camp/Conference Donations

It's that time of year again and we are preparing to take our youth back to The Great Escape (middle school camp/conference). Please help us get our youth to camp this year, especially those from Carter Jr. High.

The cost to take a middle school student to camp is \$435. Any donation that the Lord puts on your heart to give will help us greatly. The youth and youth leaders thank you in advance for your all of your support!

Snacks for Camp/Conference Trips

Another area of need for our youth summer camp/conference trips is snacks and bottled water. We are working with local grocery stores to see if they will donate snacks and water, but we will need as much help as possible.

If you would like to donate any snacks or water, please drop them off any time between now and Friday, June 20th at the church office or Adrian Rodriguez's office. Thank you so much for your help!