

October 27, 2019

# First Presbyterian Church

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



## 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: Samuel Terwilliger

11:00 Lay Leader: Lona Watkins

# ***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

The flowers are given to the Glory of God  
by the Formusoh family in memory of Ba Tantoh  
Formusoh and Na Emelia Formusoh.

## ***Gathering***

Preparation for Worship

*God of life, in Christ you resurrect all things. Raise us from death to life, that our transformation may bear witness to the power of your grace in our lives through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead.*  
*Amen.*

Voluntary

I'd Rather Have Jesus

Arr. Ju-Young Kang

Call to Worship

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord.

**They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.**

Baptized and freed, grounded in love,

**Let us worship God.**

Introit (11:00)

This Is the Day

W. R. Farnell, Jr.

§ Hymn 687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past  
All Stanzas

St. ANNE

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

**God of judgment and renewal, we admit to you and to each other that we have not always loved you and our neighbors as fully as you call us to love. We have turned away from you and toward our own self-interest. We have been shortsighted, and we are humbly sorry.**

**Help us turn back to you, O Lord, to reach toward you as a tree sends its roots out toward water.**  
**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 697

Take My Life  
Stanzas 1, 2, 4, 6

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Community Joys and Events

## Proclaiming

Scripture Reading                      Jeremiah 17:7–8                      Old Testament page 719

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)                      Stay With Us                      Egil Hovland

*Stay with us, Lord Jesus. It soon is evening. The night is falling.  
Jesus Christ, the world's true light! Shine so the darkness cannot overcome it!  
Let your light pierce the darkness and fill your church with its glory.  
Stay with us, Lord Jesus. It soon is evening. The night is falling.*

Scripture Reading                      Matthew 5:13–16                      New Testament page 6

The Sermon                      You                      Rev. McDermott

## 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.**

The Offering of Our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory (8:30)                      Jesus, My Joy                      Sigfrid Karg-Elert  
(11:00)                      Gloria in Excelsis Deo                      Johann Sebastian Bach

§ The Doxology

**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. Amen.**

§ Affirmation of Faith

from the Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 1

**My only comfort in life and in death is that I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life  
and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his  
precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in  
such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in  
fact, all things must work together for my salvation.**

**Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me  
wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him. Amen.**

## Sending

§ Hymn 275                      A Mighty Fortress is Our God                      EIN' FESTE BURG

§ Charge and Benediction                      the congregation joins hands

Postlude                      Jesus, My Joy                      Sigfrid Karg-Elert





### *Sermon Notes*

You      Jeremiah 17:7–8; Matthew 5:13–16

## ***This week @ FPCA***

Sunday 10/27

8:30 a.m.	Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
9:45 a.m.	New Member Class
9:45 a.m.	Confirmation Class
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	CNT Meeting
12:15 p.m.	CMM Lunch
12:45 p.m.	Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m.	PCGRC
3:00 p.m.	UTA Concert
	Series - Chamber Music

Monday 10/28

3:30 p.m.	Kids Beach Club-Blanton
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Tuesday 10/29

9:00 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
10:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday 10/30

8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
5:00 p.m.	WYG Executive Team Mtg
6:00 p.m.	WYG Capital Campaign Mtg
6:00 p.m.	Ring of Praise Handbells
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 10/31

6:00 p.m.	The Well
6:30 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring

Friday 11/1

9:00 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
6:00 p.m.	Kids Night Out

Information for the November 10 bulletin should be turned in to Kim at the church office by this Monday.

## ***Prayer Ministry***

***Prayers for those with health and other concerns:***

Apana Agha, Elaine Bahn, Jack Bos, James (Andrew) Bridges, Grace Broekhuizen, Vannah Caylor, Frank and Allena Coburn, Edna Collins, Lee Carol Copeland, Marge Dawson, Michael Deardorff, The Farnell Family, Don Farrell, The Gifford Family, Joe and Lila Glenn, Andrew Hydock, Bob Johnson, Tim Karnes (Pat May's son), Gary Lindley, Pat May, Barbara Mooers, Betsy Pense, Nita Price, Jim L. Quick, Jillian Reynolds, Joan and Homer Reynolds, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Karl Winter

***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 Mancini, Amie 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:***

Esther Albright, Suzette Armstrong, Polly Baugh, Shirley Bragg, Renabel Clutz, Bobbie and Tom Fowler, Jack Gray, Marge Harrand, Barbara Hughes, Barbara Kraemer, Jeanne Malone, Allen and Charlene Miller, Cary and Ruth Moore, Carrie and Cosme Pacot, Ann Pitstick, Al Smithson, Betty and Jack Snowden, Lorraine Swanson, Brooks and Connie Taylor, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight, Mary Jane Wright.

***Prayers for those who do not know Christ***

If you have any congregational care needs, please contact Pastor Rich McDermott at 817-274-8286.

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## ***Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community***

**Today begins the the 4-week New Members class  
at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

### **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 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.

## **Thanksgiving Baskets**

**Today** is Kick-Off Sunday to sign up to bring food for Thanksgiving Baskets. First Presbyterian Church is again joining Arlington Charities in feeding those who, otherwise, may not be able to enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner. The Mission and Evangelism Team set a goal of: **225 Baskets**.

Please sign up outside the Fellowship Hall, outside the Chapel or in the Red Hall. You can sign up as an individual, family, or a group. After you sign up please take your numbered Basket Sheet with the requested list of food items and the attached envelope for the pie crust and turkey donation.

Again this year you may bring the food items in your own grocery bags you have on hand. Please return your numbered Basket Sheet and attached envelope along with your food items to the Fellowship Hall on or before **Sunday, November 17**. You can also help by bringing any extra food items as over 900 families are fed by Arlington Charities. These families are Arlington citizens and they are families who can't make ends meet. Each bag feeds one family so they can celebrate Thanksgiving together at home.

Thanks - The Mission and Evangelism Team

## **Thanksgiving Dinner**

Come one, come all to the Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, November 24, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Fellowship Team will provide meat and dessert.

If your last name starts with:

A through G    Bring vegetables

H through O    Bring salad

P through Z    Bring potatoes or dressing

If you are willing to help, please call Ed Ayers at 817-602-1686 or James Gifford at 817-881-3990 for more information. A little assistance in the kitchen would also be greatly appreciated.

We will provide every kitchen volunteer with a lovely blue apron.

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## **Confirmation Class**

Confirmation Class for any youth 7th-12th grade will be Sundays through December 8th at 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m. in Room 207-Cross Cafe-Youth room. Please email Adrian Rodriguez at [adrian@firstprestexas.org](mailto:adrian@firstprestexas.org) if you have a student that would like to be confirmed.