

November 17, 2019

First Presbyterian Church

Twenty-third 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: Tina Hanson

11:00 Lay Leader: Katina Gifford

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 Jim C Quick in thanksgiving and
gratitude for his beautiful, loving wife
Sheri, born on the 17th of November.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

God, you are the gardener of all creation. You planted this world with the seeds of your love and grew them with your faithfulness. We are your harvest; we find our meaning and sustenance in you. May our minds listen to your calling, may our hearts be attuned to your will, may our feet follow you in the world. Through Jesus, the Word become flesh. Amen.

Voluntary

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult

Dale Wood

Call to Worship

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to God Most High;

to declare God's steadfast love in the morning and God's faithfulness at nighttime.

Those who are planted in the house of the Lord flourish; no matter their age, they bear fruit and remain lush and fresh, proclaiming:

The Lord is righteous! God is my rock!

The low are brought high; the high are brought low:

The kingdom of God is growing.

Let us worship God.

Introit (11:00)

Alleluia 7

TAIZÉ COMMUNITY

§ Hymn 826

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

O God, source of all that gives us life, we have turned away from your authority to our own small concerns. Forgive us for our failure to bear one another's burdens, for boasting of anything but your cross, for believing in our own power to justify our lives, and for denying your call to take comfort in you alone. Lead us to the river of life so that in all we do, we may honor your name. 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 306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading Galatians 6:7-16 New Testament page 191

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) On Eagle's Wings Michael Joncas

The congregation will be invited to sing the Refrain (page 4).

*You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in His shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"*

*And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.*

*The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear:
under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield.*

*You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day;
though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come.*

*For to His angels He's given a command to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 New Testament page 181

The Sermon The New Creation 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 Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring Johann Sebastian Bach
Donna Vickers, organ Shina Heo, piano

§ 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

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Sending

§ Hymn 774

There Is Now a New Creation

STUTTGART

§ Charge and Benediction

the congregation joins hands

Postlude

Chorale No. 1

César Franck



Anthem (11:00)

On Eagle's Wings

Michael Joncas

Refrain

All D Em
And he will raise you up on ea - gles' wings, bear you on the
A7 D D7/F# G
breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun,
A Bm F#m Em7 A Dsus D *Fine*
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

Sermon Notes

The New Creation

Galatians 6:7-16; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 11/17

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. CMM Lunch
12:45 p.m. Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 11/18

2:00 p.m. FPCA Book Club
3:30 p.m. Kids Beach Club-Blanton
6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

Tuesday 11/19

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study
6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 11/20

8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group
6:00 p.m. Ring of Praise Handbells
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 11/21

11:30 p.m. Saints Alive
6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring
6:30 p.m. MPAC Annual Meeting
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Friday 11/22

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class

Saturday 11/23

6:00 p.m. The Well - Movie/Dinner

Turn bulletin information into Kim by this Monday.

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Apana Agha, Elaine Bahn, Jack Bos, James (Andrew) Bridges, 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, Craig Poindexter, 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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Thanksgiving Baskets

It's time 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

David Lieber comes to Saints Alive!!

On Thursday, November 21, we will have an interesting program from Dave Lieber who will tell us about his latest book in his usual creative and comical style. The book, "AMON! the Ultimate Texan," tells about one of the most consequential figures in Texas history. So, be sure to join us for a potluck lunch at 11:30 a.m. and please bring a dish to share. For any questions, call Bev Koch at 817-261-3202.

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

Monday Night Women's Bible Study meets in the Parlor the 3rd Monday of each month at 6 p.m. 6-6:30 is a light meal and fellowship and 6:30-7:30 is the lesson. November 18, Chapter 3 of our study guide will be led by Helen Moulton. All women are invited. A \$2 donation is accepted for the meal. Questions? Contact Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com).

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.

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

Decorate the Church Saturday, November 30th

Join in getting the church ready for the Advent season by hanging the garlands, Christmons, and other decorations throughout the church beginning at 1:00 p.m.

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