## November 1, 2020

# First Presbyterian Church

All Saints Sunday



## Following Jesus, Transforming Life

### **Mission Statement:**

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

> Preaching: Rev. Chris Campbell Liturgist: Rev. Rich McDermott Organist: Shina Heo

## The Worship of God

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

Those who have lost loved ones this year are invited to take a rose from the display after the service.

## Gathering

Gathering Music Shina Heo

Preparation for Worship

O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be. George Matheson, 1881

Call to Worship Psalm 136:1-3

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

O give thanks to the God of gods,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

O give thanks to the Lord of lords,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Merciful and gracious God: You have loved us with a love that is everlasting and steadfast. You created us and gave us the gift of life. You revealed yourself to Abraham, Moses, and David. You spoke through the prophets. And you ultimately revealed yourself through the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. How blessed we are! But we have not loved you with our all our heart, soul, mind and strength as you have commanded. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Forgive us for these and our many sins, and help us to amend our lives, that we may receive the love you have shown us, and extend that love to a needy world. We ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

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

Anthem Irish Blessing Bob Chilcott

Cassandra Kirby, soprano

Community Joys and Events

Saints That Joined the Church Triumphant in the Past Year

## Remembering the Saints

Elaine Bahn, Irene Cannon, Lee Carol Copeland, Michael Deardorff, Kathryn Edwards, Carl Harris, James Irons, Nancy Lichtenwalter, Ann Meade, J. Fred Miller, Mary Ellen Miller, Richard Moody, Ruth Moore, Orlando Morales, James Overtree, Cosme Pacot, JD Paulk, Rev. Betsy Pense, Nita Price, Dr. Craig Poindexter, Allen Ray, Homer Reynolds, Al Smithson, Dr. Jack Snowden, Elvis Swaim, Lorraine Swanson, Brooks Taylor, Karl Winter

## **Proclaiming**

First Scripture Reading Psalm 63:1–4 Old Testament page 527

Second Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 13:1–3 New Testament page 175

The Sermon If It's Not Love Rev. Campbell

#### The Table

The Offering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

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.** 

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

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

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude For All the Saints Sine Nomine

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## Sermon Notes

If It's Not Love Psalm 63:1–4; 1 Corinthians 13:1–3

## **Thanksgiving Basket Program**

October 18 through November 15 First Presbyterian Church is again joining Arlington Charities in feeding the needy during Thanksgiving.

This year our Thanksgiving program has changed. Instead of shopping for the food we will be donating money to Arlington Charities.

We estimate that each basket costs about \$40.00, including the turkey and pie donation. In years past if you have filled multiple baskets for this program, simply make your monetary donation in the amount of \$40.00 per basket. As always, donations in any amount are welcomed.

Please make checks payable to **Arlington Charities**, designated "**Thanksgiving 2020**." Please mail your checks to FPCA or put them in the offering basket.

Thanks ~ The Mission and Evangelism Team

## Offering

If you would like to give your tithes and offerings in person today, please use the envelope provided in the bulletin. You can drop the envelope off in the offering plate while departing the sanctuary when the service is completed. Please feel free to continue giving as you have during this time whether that is mailing checks or giving online. We are most thankful for your generous support!

#### Preschool Teachers Needed

We are currently looking for qualified teachers to fill part-time positions for our Infant, Toddler, and Pre-K classes. If you are passionate about working with children and want to provide them a safe environment that they may grow socially, emotionally, cognitively, and are given opportunities to learn about God's love, then First Presbyterian Preschool Arlington is just the place for you. We are accepting applications Monday through Friday from 7:30am -5:30pm. You may apply online at www.fppsarlington.com, call us at 817-274-4051, or simply stop by the office. We are looking forward to hearing from you. Sincerely, Preschool Staff

### Moment for Hope Invitation

CAN YOU DO A MOMENT FOR HOPE? Would you like to try doing a Moment For Hope? As you probably know, we encourage our people from FPCA to reflect upon a hopeful passage taken from Scripture. It is a 3-5 minute recording of yourself, using your smartphone turned sideways, which then you can upload to Google Drive on your phone and share with eric@firstprestexas.org (Eric Gottmann, our social media director). If you are interested in giving it a try, we can help you. Please volunteer by sending an email to Kim Lewis, kim@firstprestexas. org. Thank you so much!

## Important Hygiene Information to Remember

For now, in order to keep our church gatherings safe during the era of the coronavirus, remember, please:

- 1. If you are sick, stay home.
- 2. If your health is compromised, stay home.
- 3. Wash your hands with soap and water (20 seconds) regularly throughout the day, and especially before gathering.
- 4. Minimize touches to your face.
- 5. Wear a face covering and maintain social distance from those outside your family.
- 6. Use hand sanitizer if hand washing is unavailable.

At this point in time, we believe these are the appropriate measures to take, and we urge you to continue to come to worship and praise the Lord as one Body in Christ. We realize these may need to change in the future. Thank you for your understanding.