

January 10, 2021

First Presbyterian Church

First Sunday after the Epiphany



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
Lay Leader: Jonathan Terwilliger
Organist: Shina Heo

The Worship of God

11:00 a.m.

The greenery is offered to the Glory of God.

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

Holy God, we praise your name, for your grace sustains us. We wait for you, Lord, for your word strengthens us. Our outer nature is wasting away day by day, but our inner nature is being renewed by your daily bread. Grant us the eyes to see what cannot be seen and to gaze on what is eternal. May we revel in your work and be a visible witness of your invisible kingdom. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Gathering Music

Shina Heo

Call to Worship

O give thanks to the Lord with your whole heart.

On the day I called, you answered me.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Gracious God, have mercy on us, for we have failed to be faithful to you, though you have been faithful to us. You show us your wisdom, but we prefer to go our own way. Our broken relationships with you and one another have created poverty in us and our neighbors.

In your mercy, reconcile us to you and one another for the work of your justice, peace, and love, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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

Anthem

Like a River Glorious
Russell Farnell, tenor

arr. Shina Heo

Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

First Scripture Reading	Psalm 138	Old Testament page 577
Second Scripture Reading	2 Corinthians 4:1, 7–12, 16–18	New Testament page 180, 182
The Sermon	Be Renewed and Take Heart	Rev. Campbell

Responding

The Offering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

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.**

§ Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 61

Why do you say that you are righteous by faith alone?

**Not because I please God by virtue of the worthiness of my faith, but because the satisfaction,
righteousness, and holiness of Christ alone are my righteousness before God, and because I
can accept it and make it mine in no other way than by faith alone.**

Sending

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude	A Mighty Fortress is Our God	Gordon Young
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Sermon Notes

Be Renewed and Take Heart

Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:1, 7–12, 16–18

New Sermon Series

January Sermons:

January 3rd: Epiphany Sunday – “Morning Glory” Matthew 2:1-12; Isaiah 60:1-6

January 10th: “Be Renewed and Take Heart” 2 Corinthians 4:1, 7-12, 16-18

January 17th: “Be Renewed in My Thinking” Ephesians 4:21-24

January 24th: “Be Renewed with a Steadfast Spirit” Psalm 51:10-12

January 31st: “Be Renewed in My Strength Powered by Hope” Isaiah 40:31

Offering

If you would like to give your tithes and offerings in person today, please use the envelope provided in the pews. 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!



SAVE THE DATE

February 6 at 10:00 a.m.

On Your Computer, Tablet, or Cell Phone

Hit the reset button by joining with other women of FPCA in a virtual event. With Martita Lynch, from Gateway Church in Grand Prairie, we will explore how to begin the new year right, learning about how to study God's Word.

Registration Details to Come!

Women's Ministry Team

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