July 18, 2021

First Presbyterian Church Eighth 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.

> Preaching: Rev. Chris Campbell 11:00 Lay Leader: David Peden 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

Gathering

Prelude Have Thine Own Way, Lord!

arr. Gregg Sewell

Preparation for Worship

Triune God, fill our weakness with your strength; bind up our brokenness with your unity. Let us be about the tasks of your love. Use us to build a holy place where healing and caring and joy blend in the tones of worship to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Call to Worship

God has accomplished all things through Christ,

So that we might live as God's own children.

Let us give thanks to God

And live for the praise of God's glory.

Introit We Have Come To Worship You

David R. Davidson

§ Hymn 310

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

St. Thomas

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Holy God, you call us to be your beloved children and to care for one another, yet we fail to love others and ourselves. Helpless and ashamed, we turn our hearts to you.

Forgive us, and then tenderly teach us to stand strong and courageous in the fullness of your love, by the grace and mercy of Christ. 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.

§ Hymn 761

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Anthem Rejoice, the Lord is King Vicki Hancock
Chancel Choir

Children's Time

Children (age 3 to fourth grade) are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in the Fellowship Hall.

First Scripture Reading Nehemiah 6:1–9 Old Testament page 434

Second Scripture Reading Nehemiah 6:10 – 7:4 Old Testament page 435

The Sermon Picking Up the Pieces: This Time It's Personal Rev. Campbell

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 Praise Be To You, Jesus Christ 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

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 361 O Christ, the Great Foundation AURELIA

\$ Charge and Benediction

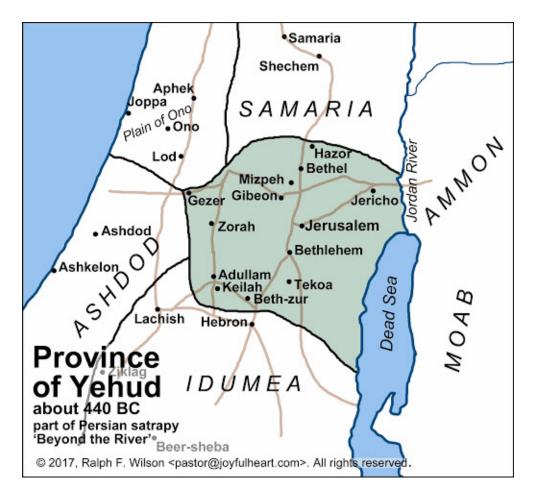
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Sermon Notes

Picking Up the Pieces: This Time It's Personal

Nehemiah 6:1-7:4



How to Swat Spiritual Mosquitos

- Keep focused (6:1-4)
- Trust in the truth (6:5-9)
- Know who you are (6:10-14)

New Members Class

Come be a part of the 4-week New Members Class starting Sunday, August 1st, at 9:45 a.m.

Please let us know if you plan on attending. Contact Kim Lewis at the church office at 817-274-8286 or by email: kim@firstprestexas.org.

What is God Up To in Turkey?

Kaylie Boyer, a junior at Texas A & M, traveled for a month earlier this summer throughout Turkey with a student ministry group from Texas A & M. They ministered to locals and missionaries in many of the places we read about in the Bible. They found unique and God-inspired ways to bring Jesus to this largely Muslim nation. Come and bring your questions! We will meet this Tuesday, July 20, in the Parlor at 10:30 a.m.

Please email or call Kim Lewis at kim@firstprestexas.org or 817-274-8286 to let us know you are coming.

Children & Youth Drive-In Movie

With summertime upon us, and families looking for something fun to do together, the Children's Ministry and Youth Ministry would like to invite our entire congregation to a night of fun. Join us on Friday, July 23rd at 7:30 p.m. as we host our very own Drive-In Movie night, an instant family classic that started in the 1930's. All are invited, from children, to pre-teens, to teens, to young adults, and adults.

Lastly, we will have food, snacks, and drinks for the entire family to enjoy. More details to come in the coming weeks. Please contact Adrian Rodriguez or Kyle Terwilliger with any questions.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be Monday-Friday, July 26-30. We will be having it in-person from 9:00 a.m. to noon for children 4 years old to 6th grade. We will also have the lessons available online. Our memory verse for the week is John 15:12 "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you." Children will learn that to Jesus they are known, they belong, they are forgiven, they can change, and they can make a difference. It will be a great week of fun and learning. If you would like to help please contact Kyle by email kyle@firstprestexas.org. If you have children, grandchildren, or neighbors 4 years old to 6th grade make plans to bring them to VBS.

Snacks Needed for Vacation Bible School!

We are in need of snacks for Vacation Bible School - July 26-30. If you are able to help please bring individually packed lunch box size snacks to the Fellowship Hall kitchen (examples: vanilla wafers, goldfish, pretzels etc.). Please mark your items for VBS. Questions- please call Marge Dawson 817-980-6825.

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 during the offering time or in the offering basket in the Narthex 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!

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

The Monday Night Womens Bible Study will resume meeting the third Monday of each month except December, June, July and August, beginning September 20, 6-7:30 p.m. in the Church Parlor.

The 2021-2022 study will be the Horizons's study What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus.

This group rotates facilitating the lessons as well as providing a light meal each month. All women invited! Questions? Contact coordinators Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com). Books are in the church office copy room in a box marked with a bright pink sign. Study guides are \$11 each.

PCHAS Fall 2021 School Supply Wish List Benefiting Children in Fort Worth, North and West Texas

The deadline to donate school supplies is Sunday, August 1st. Items can be placed in the gray donation bins in the Narthex, outside of Fellowship Hall, and the church office.

Fall 2021 Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services SChool Supply Wish List

Benefiting Children in Fort Worth, North and West Texas

Elementary School

1-Inch 3-Ring Binder

12" Ruler Backpack Ballpoint Pens

Colored Pencils

Crayons

Dry Erase Markers

Dry Erasers

Glue Sticks

Hand Sanitizer Highlighters

Pencil Pouch w Zipper

Pencils - #2

Index Cards

Pencil Sharpeners

Pocket Folders Without Fasteners

Protractor

Scissors (Blunt Tip)
Spiral Notebooks
Composition Books
Subject Dividers

Tissues

Washable Markers

Wide Ruled Loose Leaf Paper

Middle and High School

1 ½ Inch 3-Ring Binder

Backpack Ballpoint Pens Calculator (basic)

Graph Calculator (TI-84 Plus CE)

Drawing Paper Dry Erase Markers

Glue Sticks Graph Paper

Dry Erasers

Hand sanitizer

Highlighters Index Cards

Pencil Pouch

Markers

Pencils - No. 2

Pencil Sharpener Pocket Folders

Protractor Ruler Scissors

Spiral Notebooks Composition Books Subject Dividers

White-Out

Wide Ruled Loose-Leaf Paper

USB Flash Drives

Earbuds (headphones)

Rangers & PCHAS Game

We're planning on taking the PCHAS kids and staff to the Rangers vs. Seattle game, Sunday, August 1st, at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and you're invited! Contact Bob Dawson, txt 214-415-5396.