

September 5, 2021

First Presbyterian Church

Fifteenth 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
Lay Leader: Paula Thomson
Organist: Shina Heo

The Worship of God

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

Please silence all phones and devices.

Please fill out the Friendship pad in your pew.

Gathering

Prelude

I Need Thee Every Hour

Roy Darley

Prayer for Preparation

God, our Rock, our refuge, our resting place, we come to you. Out of another busy week of work, out of our struggles to be meaningful in our world, out of our desire to meet you and know you as the center of our being, we come to you, O unmovable Rock of our security. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Introit

This Is the Day That the Lord Has Made

Timothy McKinney

Call to Worship

Here at the feast of God's holy Word and holy meal,

Eyes and ears are opened so that we may all be made glad and filled with hope.

Let us worship God.

§ Hymn 409

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Almighty and compassionate God, every day, in our desire to attain our wants, avoid discomfort, and shun those we do not know or love, we show ourselves to be unworthy of your gifts of life.

Of this we are sorely aware, and we ask your power to renew us in body and spirit, that we will be able, through your help, to walk in the way you intend for us.

Forgive us and lead us, in Jesus' 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.

Proclaiming

Psalm 125

Refrain (See page 4)

Children's Time

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

Epistle Reading

Romans 10:11-17

New Testament page 160

Anthem	Offertory (Micah 6:6–8)	John Ness Beck
	<i>With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings? Shall I come before Him with yearling calves? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my first-born for my transgressions: the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has shown you, O man, He has shown you what is good. And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"</i>	
Old Testament Reading	1 Samuel 3:1–10	Old Testament page 247
The Sermon	Our Children Need Faith	Rev. Campbell
Hymn 735	I Need Thee Every Hour	NEED

The Table

The Offering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives		
Offertory	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	Naji Hakim
Invitation to the Table		
Prayer of Thanksgiving		
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.		
The Lord’s Prayer sung (see page 4)		
Words of Institution		
The Bread and Cup		
<i>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.”</i>		
Prayer after Communion		

Sending

§ Hymn 69	I, the Lord of Sea and Sky	HERE I AM
§ Charge and Benediction		
Postlude	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	Fred Bock



Psalm 125

Refrain

Lord, your jus - tice stands for all,
stands like Zi - on's might - y wall.

Refrain

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds his people, from this time on and forevermore.

Refrain

For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the righteous, so that the righteous might not stretch out their hands to do wrong.

Refrain

Do good, O Lord, to those who are good, and to those who are upright in their hearts. But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways the Lord will lead away with evildoers. Peace be upon Israel!

Refrain

The Lord's Prayer

for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington, Texas

Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be thy name; _____
Thy king - dom come; Thy will be done on Earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread; for - give us our debts as we for - give our debt - ors;
Lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil:
For Thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

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God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an

of - fer praise and prayer, may we find in
 life - long need of grace; here are ta - ble,
 Shep - herd's flock and fold; here as bread and
 age of change and doubt keep us faith - ful

full - er mea - sure what it is in Christ we share.
 font, and pul - pit; here the cross has cen - tral place.
 wine are tak - en, Christ sus - tains us as of old.
 to the gos - pel; help us work your pur - pose out.

735 I Need Thee Every Hour

1 I need thee ev - ery hour, most gra - cious Lord;
2 I need thee ev - ery hour; stay thou near by;
3 I need thee ev - ery hour; teach me thy will,
4 I need thee ev - ery hour, Most Ho - ly One;

no ten - der voice like thine can peace af - ford.
temp - ta - tions lose their power when thou art nigh.
and thy rich prom - is - es in me ful - fill.
O make me thine in - deed, thou bless - ed Son.

Refrain

I need thee, O I need thee, ev - ery hour I need thee!

O bless me now, my Sav - ior— I come to thee!

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I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

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Leader or All Am D G C G D

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

G Em C Am7 D G

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

Am D G C G D

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em C Am7 C/G D D7

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

All G C G D G C G D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

Am7 G Am7 D G C G C

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

G C G D G Am7 D7 G Am7 G

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Sermon Notes

Our Children Need Faith

Romans 10:11–17; 1 Samuel 3:1–10

The birth of a child is often a catalyst for something new in the Bible: Moses, Abraham, Samuel, Jeremiah, Jesus

5 Basic Human Needs:

- 1) Survival
- 2) Love & Belonging
- 3) Power
- 4) Freedom
- 5) Fun

Knowledge is taught, while faith is caught.

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 9/5	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Sunday School Worship in Sanctuary Youth Choir
Monday 9/6		Church Office Closed for Labor Day
Tuesday 9/7	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class Tues. Morning Women's Bible Study
Wednesday 9/8	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study Quilting Chancel Choir
Thursday 9/9	7:00 p.m.	Team Meeting Night
Friday 9/10	9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Senior Flexibility Class Kids Night Out

Information for the September 12 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, Jack Bos, James (Andrew) Bridges, Carol Browning, Vannah Caylor, Candida Costa, Frank and Allena Coburn, Edna Collins, Lloyd Counts, the Farnell Family, Don Farrell, Yvette Fielder, the Gifford Family, Joe and Lila Glenn, Andrew Hydock, Bob Johnson, Tim Karnes (Pat May's son), Gary Lindley, Pat May, Barbara Mooers, Jim L. Quick, Jillian Reynolds, Joan Reynolds, Beth Rotert, Kathy Rotert, John and Donna Vickers, and Nancy Welborne.

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Mike Manci, 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, Tom and Bobbie Fowler, Barbara Hughes, Jeanne Malone, Charlene Miller, Cary Moore, Carrie Pacot, Ann Pitstick, Betty Snowden, 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 Chris Campbell at 817-274-8286.

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Youth Back to School Celebration - Group Dynamix

Youth from 6th grade to 12th grade, please join us for a day of fun and food on Saturday, September 18, 2021 from 10am-1pm. Please meet in the Fellowship Hall. We will have Group Dynamix here to set up and lead us through some portable inflatable games like: Human Foosball, Giant Soccer Darts, Giant Boxing Inflatable, Pedal Go Karts, and Giant Inflatable Gaga Ball. Please feel free to invite a friend or two and we can't wait to have some fun, as many of you have transitioned back to school. Also, don't worry about food, we will have lunch available between 12 noon-1:00pm.

If you have any questions, please contact our Youth Director, Adrian Rodriguez at thewellfpca@gmail.com or 817.274.8286.

Children's Ministry Upcoming Activities

Kids Night Out is a great time for kids to have fun playing, eating pizza, connecting with one another and having a short Bible lesson. It is also a chance for parents to have a couple of hours without the kids to connect, relax, and have fun. Kids Night Out is on Friday from 6:00-8:00 p.m. about twice a month during the school year for children in 6th grade or younger. Kids can be dropped off, signed-in, and picked-up by the Fellowship Hall. Below are the September to December dates for Kids Night Out:

September 10 and 24; October 8 and 22; November 5 and 19; December 3

Fall Festival Lunch

The Fall Festival Lunch will be Sunday, September 26, 2021, at 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy great food and fellowship!

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!

Children's Music Ministries & Youth Music Ministries

Children's Music Ministries and Youth Music Ministries start September 12 from 12:45-1:45! Children meet in the Fellowship Hall at 12:15 for a snack lunch, and parents attend a brief parent meeting in the choir room. For more information, contact russell@firstprestexas.org or Laura.Farnell@gmail.com for more information.

Music Ministry

Interested in leading worship through music?
Join the Chancel Choir,
Ring of Praise Handbell Ensemble,
Youth Music Ministries, or
Children's Music Ministries!

Contact Russell Farnell for information:
russell@firstprestexas.org

LAST CHANCE, LADIES ... Another Study is Coming Your Way!

The Women's Ministry Team invites you to come along as we launch a new Bible study called **Get Out of Your Head**.

We will dive into Philippians again, as we did last spring. But this time we will explore how we can stop the downward spiral of toxic thoughts, which not only impact us in our daily lives, but can also derail us from fulfilling God's calling for each of us.

Register online to join us and secure your study guide for this study...

Time: **7:00 p.m.**

Dates: **Tuesday nights, Sep. 14 to Oct. 26**

Where: **Your own home** (Zoom)

Cost: **\$7** (for the study guide)

Registration Steps:

- Visit the FPCA website (www.firstprestexas.org)
- Select the "Get Connected" Menu
- Choose "Adult"
- Scroll down to the "Women's Ministry" section and fill out the registration form



HOPE Tutoring@FPCA

HOPE Tutoring will be starting its weekly tutoring on Monday, September 13 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room 218. Masks will be required for all persons entering the building.

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.