

September 19, 2021

First Presbyterian Church

Seventeenth 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: Cassandra Kirby
Organist: Beverly Howard

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 Prelude II in G Major Felix Mendelssohn

Prayer for Preparation

*Gentle Jesus, you call us to live in your name with honor and respect,
fully known to you and precious in your sight.
Draw us near to you each day as you teach us how to feed on your gifts,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Introit This Is the Day That the Lord Has Made Timothy McKinney

Call to Worship

In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Come now, all who thirst, **and drink the water of life.**

Come now, all who hunger, **and be filled with good things.**

Come now, all who seek, **and be warmed by the fire of love.**

§ Hymn 14 For the Beauty of the Earth Dix

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

**God of wisdom, forgive our foolishness. We desire what we do not need and corrupt our
relationships with envy. You urge us to gentleness, but we stir up conflict.**

**Forgive us. Give us your grace, that we may harvest righteousness and peace, for the sake of
Jesus 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.

Proclaiming

Psalm 1

Responsive Reading

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;
but their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season,
and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

Children's Time

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

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 22:15–18

Old Testament page 18

Anthem

Surely the Lord Is in This Place
Genesis 28:16–17

Herbert Colvin

*Surely the Lord is in this place.
This is none other than the house of God,
and this is the Gate of Heaven.*

Gospel Reading

Hebrews 6:13–20

New Testament page 221

The Sermon

What's in a Name: Christ the Priest

Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 720

Jesus Calls Us

GALILEE

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

Offertory on Hyfrydol

arr. David Cherwien

§ 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

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q. 25

How does Christ carry out the office of a priest?

Christ carries out the office of a priest in offering up himself as a sacrifice one time, to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

Sending

§ Hymn 260

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

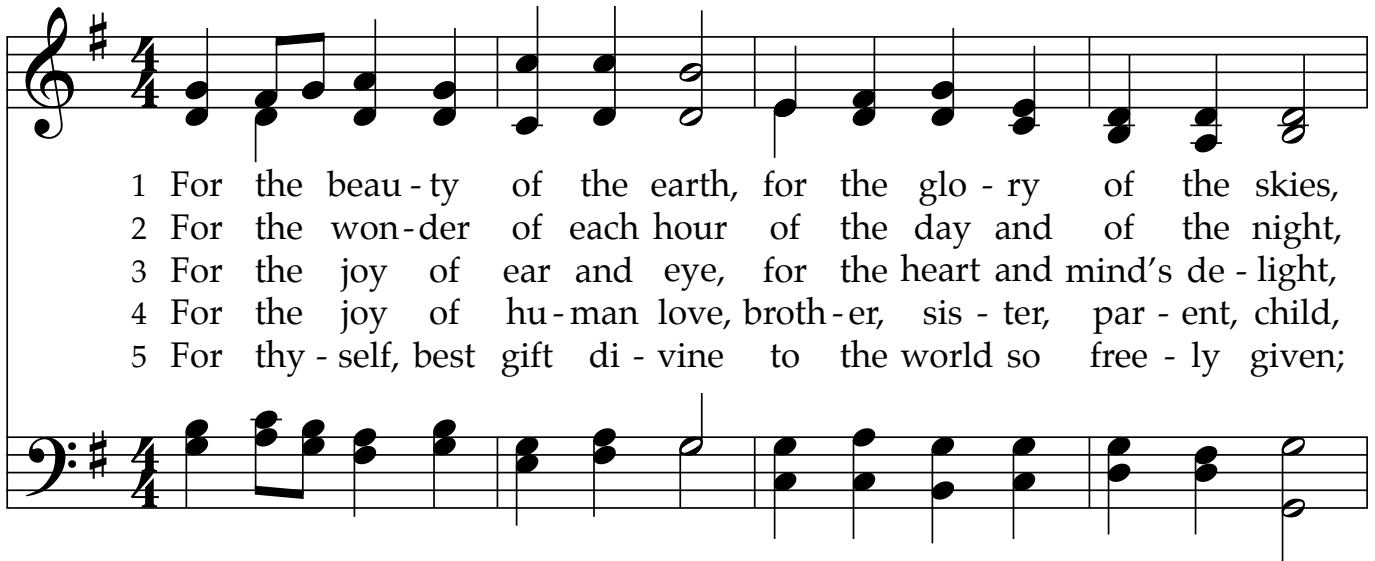
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Marcel Dupre

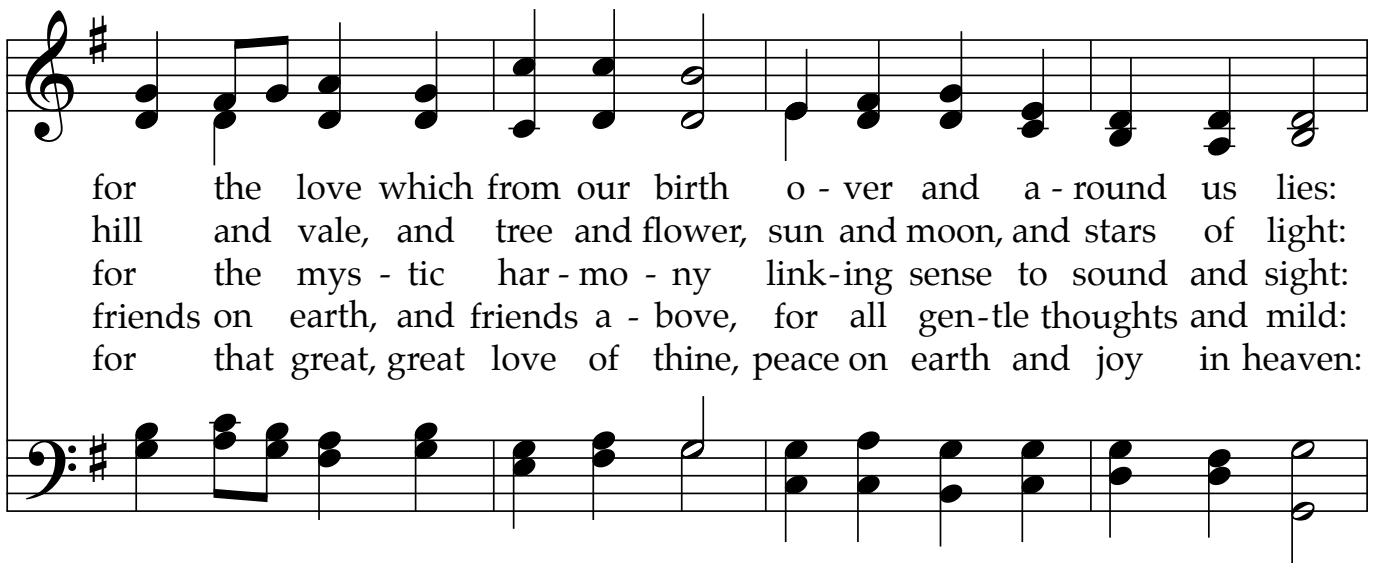


For the Beauty of the Earth

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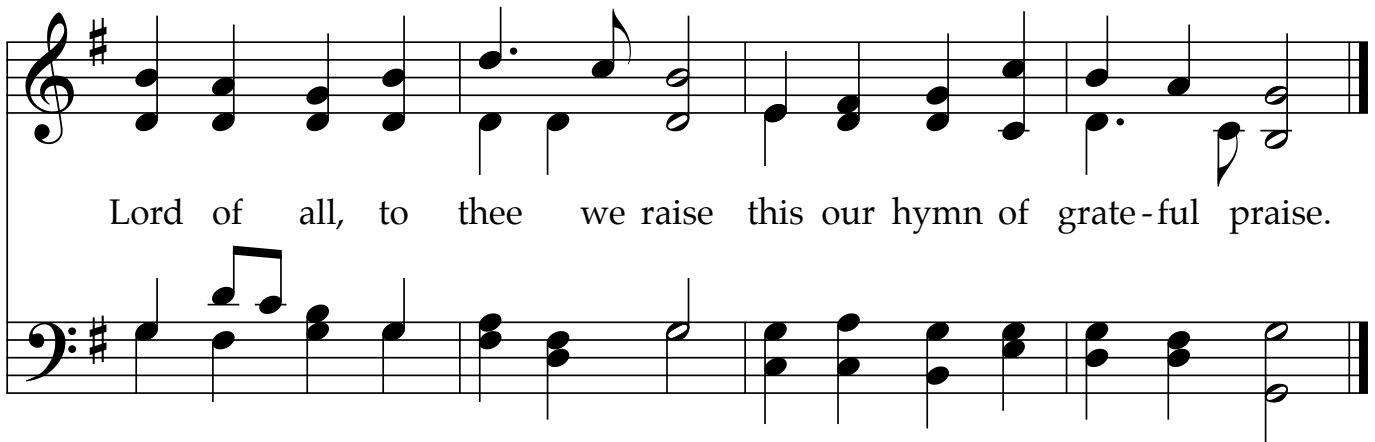


1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

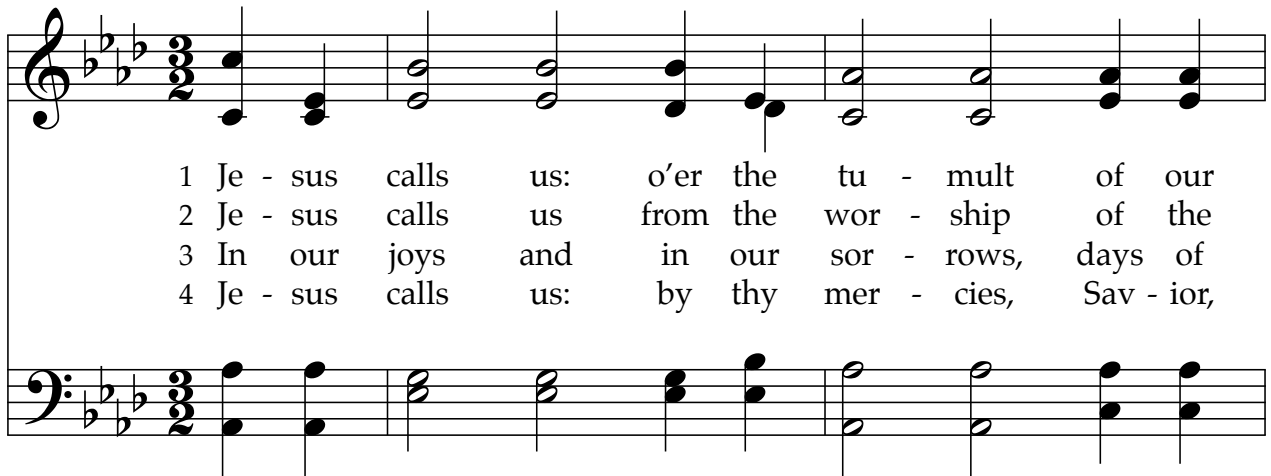
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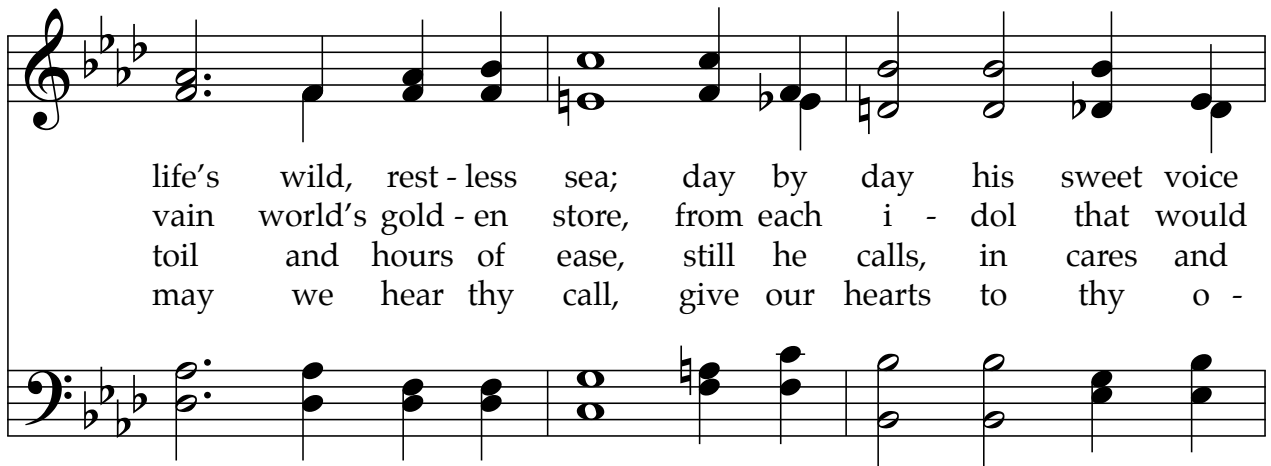
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

Jesus Calls Us

720



1 Je - sus calls us: o'er the tu - mult of our
2 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
3 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
4 Je - sus calls us: by thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea; day by day his sweet voice
vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy o -



sound - eth say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."
keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

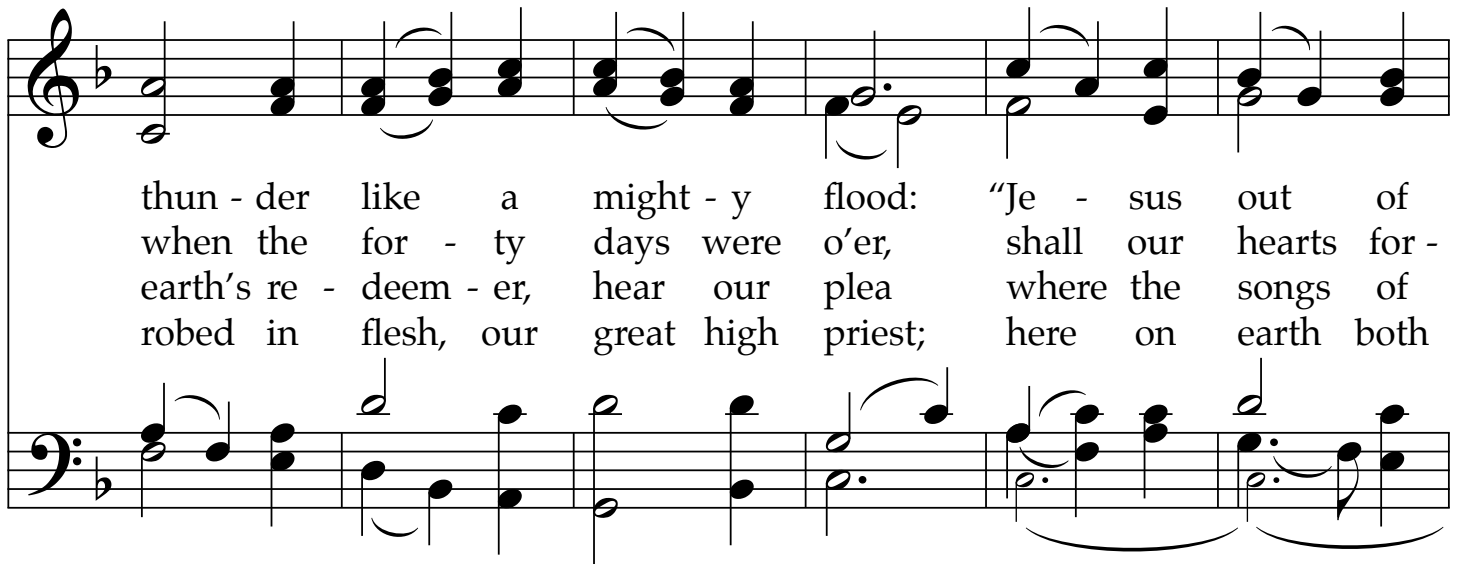
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Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

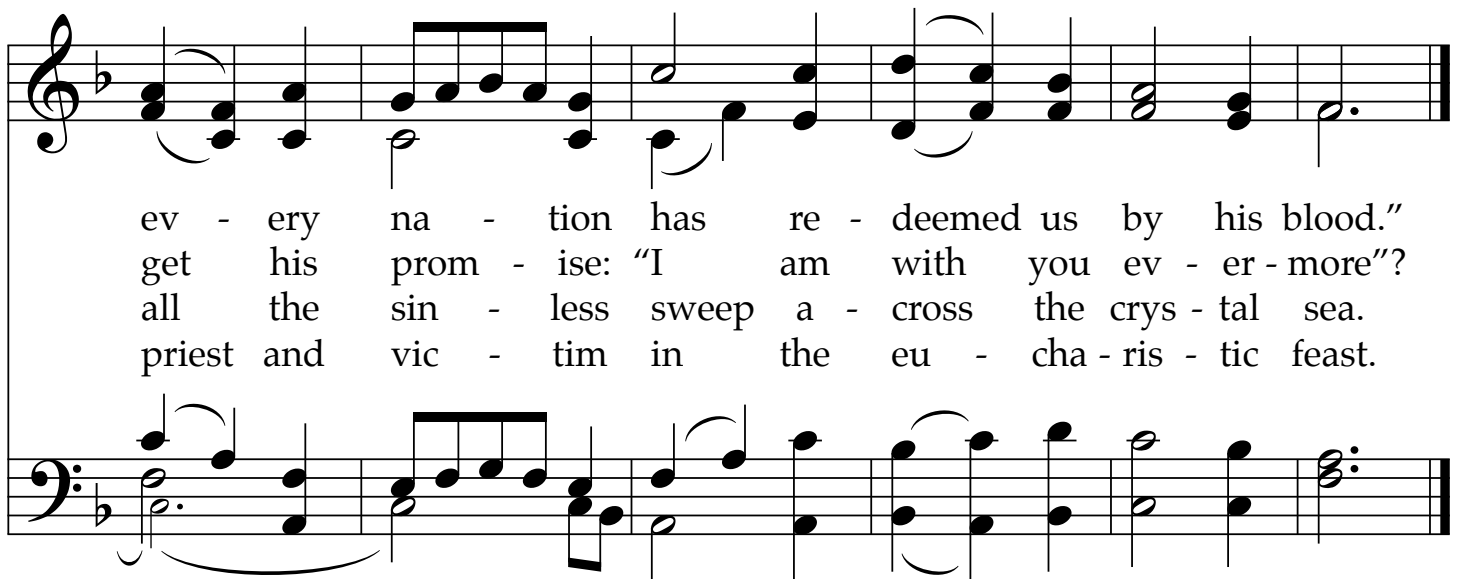
1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, his the
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in sor - row
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, here on earth our food, our
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o - tent we

throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to -
 now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lieves nor
 stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to you from
 own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your foot - stool,

ry a - lone! Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on
 ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him,
 day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners,
 heaven your throne. As with - in the veil you en - tered,



thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
 when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our hearts for -
 earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the songs of
 robed in flesh, our great high priest; here on earth both



ev - ery na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
 get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?
 all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Sermon Notes

What's in a Name: Christ the Priest

Genesis 22:15–18; Hebrews 6:13–20

“It's the hope that kills you.”

Christ - “Anointed”; “Messiah”

Prophet (Revealer)

Priest (Reconciler)

King (Ruler)

“...as a pure and stainless Mediator he is by his holiness to reconcile us to God. But God's righteous curse bars our access to him, and God in his capacity as judge is angry toward us. Hence, an expiation must intervene in order that Christ as priest may obtain God's favor for us and appease his wrath. Thus Christ to perform this office had to come forward with a sacrifice. For under the law, also, the priest was forbidden to enter the sanctuary without blood...

The priestly office belongs to Christ alone because by the sacrifice of his death he blotted out our own guilt and made satisfaction for our sins.” - John Calvin's Institutes

“It follows that he is an everlasting intercessor: through his pleading we obtain favor... Now, Christ plays the priestly role, not only to render the Father favorable and propitious toward us by an eternal law of reconciliation, but also to receive us as his companions in this great office.” - John Calvin's Institutes

“It's the _____ hope that kills you.” - Ted Lasso

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 9/19

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Children & Youth Music Ministries

Monday 9/20

6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring
6:30 p.m. Mon. Night Women's Bible Study

Tuesday 9/21

9:30 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
10:30 a.m. Tues. Morning Women's Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Arlington Charities Board Mtg
7:00 p.m. Women's Ministry Bible Study (Zoom)

Wednesday 9/22

8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Quilting
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday 9/23

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Friday 9/24

9:30 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
6:00 p.m. Kids Night Out

Information for the September 26 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, Lois Ditto, 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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Nominations for Elder, Deacon, Trustee, or Congregational Nominating Team

We are accepting Nominations for Elder, Deacon, Trustee, or Congregational Nominating Team (CNT). You can put your selections in the nomination boxes in the Narthex, place them in the offering plate, bring your nominations to the church office, or you can email your nominations to Suzie McCoy at: smccoybelize@gmail.com.

Fall Festival Lunch

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

Candy Donations for Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat will be Saturday, October 30. It will look a little different but we are still reaching out to the community and letting them know that we love them and God loves them. We need help to do this. We will be giving away bags of candy and books. We will also have games and activities. Here are 4 ways you can help.

1. Donate Candy (put it in the bins around the church, Kyle's office, or have it delivered to the church).
2. Help put the candy in bags (more information will be coming on dates and times to do this).
3. Help at Trunk or Treat with set-up, the event, and/or clean-up (talk to or email Kyle - kyle@firstprestexas.org).
4. Pray.

Children's Music Ministries & Youth Music Ministries

Children's Music Ministries and Youth Music Ministries meet on Sunday 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

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

Monday Night Women's Bible Study - Update!

The Monday Night Women's Bible study will meet in the parlor tomorrow, September 20 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. (**please note the new time for this meeting**). No meal will be served, please eat before coming.

Questions? Contact Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com).

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.

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!



HOPE Tutoring at FPCA

HOPE Tutoring meet each Monday night from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room 218. Masks will be required for all persons entering the building.

Friendship Pads

Please take the time to fill out the Friendship Pad in your pew. Whether you're a guest or a member, we would love to have your contact information so we can keep in touch with you.

FPCA Newsletter

The Newsletter is available in the Narthex and outside the Chapel. The News continues to be in the church-wide email each month. The Newsletter is also on our church website at firstprestexas.org.

By using this digital method to send the Newsletter, the church is saving with both printing and mailing costs. If you prefer to have a copy mailed to you, please give the church office a call and let them know.