

September 26, 2021

# First Presbyterian Church

## Eighteenth 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: Ron MacLeod

Guest 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

Fanfare

Jacques Lemmons

Prayer for Preparation

*Eternal God, Jesus taught that true power is made known in service: we are to love you, our neighbors, and ourselves as we reveal your reign of peace. Give us the will to do this work and the grace that we may accomplish it; with you, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.*

Call to Worship

Grace to you and peace from the one who is and who was and who is to come,

**And from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead,  
and the ruler of the kings of the earth.**

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

**The whole earth is full of God's glory.**

Introit

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Fanny J. Crosby

§ Hymn 41

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

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§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

**Sovereign God, how often we trust in the promises of earthly rulers  
instead of the power of your love; help us to turn our hearts toward you.  
Restore us in your love, and set us free to forgive as we have been forgiven,  
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.**

## Proclaiming

Psalm 124

Responsive Reading

### Refrain



### Refrain

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us,  
**then they would have swallowed us up alive,**  
when their anger was kindled against us;  
**then the flood would have swept us away,**  
the torrent would have gone over us;  
**then over us would have gone the raging waters.**

### Refrain

Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us as prey to their teeth.  
**We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers;**  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.  
**Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

### Refrain

### Children's Time

Children (age 4 to fourth grade) are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in the Fellowship Hall.

### Gospel Reading

Mark 15:2-5

New Testament page 53

### Anthem

Who Is Jesus?

Jeffery Honoré

*Who is Jesus? Friend of sinners, whom in love the Father gave;  
born within a borrowed stable, laid within a borrowed grave,  
Son of God and son of Mary, Son of Man to seek and save.*

*Who is Jesus? Man of sorrows! see his glory all put by;  
Prince of life and sinners' ransom stumbles forth to bleed and die;  
Lamb of God and Love immortal hangs upon the cross on high.*

*Who is Jesus? Risen Saviour! to his Father's throne restored,  
firstborn of the new creation, sun and star and saints' reward:  
Prince of glory, King of ages, Christ the ever-living Lord!*

### New Testament Reading

Revelation 1:4b-8

New Testament page 245

### The Sermon

What's in a Name: Christ the King

Rev. Campbell

## *Responding*

§ Hymn 265

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

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

O Worship the King

arr. Neil Harmon

§ 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 Westminster Shorter Catechism (Modern English)

How does Christ carry out the office of a king?

**Christ carries out the office of a king in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and  
in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.**

## *Sending*

§ Hymn 610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Fugue

arr. David Cherwien



# 41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!  
 2 O tell of God's might; O sing of God's grace,  
 3 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,  
 4 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?  
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love:  
 whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space,  
 Al - might - y, your power has found - ed of old;  
 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;

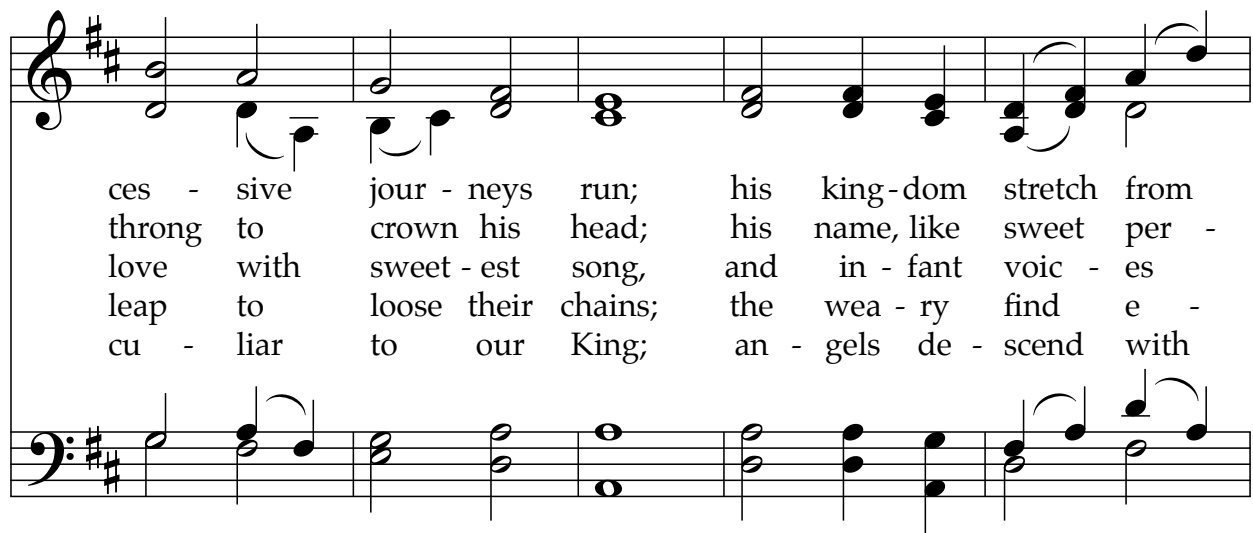
our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
 whose char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form;  
 es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,  
 it streams from the hills; it de - scends to the plain,  
 your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
 and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.  
 and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.  
 our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend.


# 265 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners  
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring hon - ors pe -



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 thron'g to crown his head; his name, like sweet per -  
 love with sweet - est song, and in - fant voic - es  
 leap to loose their chains; the wea - ry find e -  
 cu - liar to our King; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 fume, shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud A - men!

# O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my  
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and  
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new  
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -  
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my  
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the  
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en  
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the  
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!  
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.  
 to re - joice; the poor in heart be - lieve.  
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.  
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

# ***Sermon Notes***

What's in a Name: Christ the King

Mark 15:2–5; Revelation 1:4b–8

Jesus is prophetic: He reveals the necessary knowledge about God.

Jesus is priestly: He reconciles us to God as Mediator.

Jesus is kingly: He rules our lives and the Church.

Can Jesus be your Savior but not your Lord?

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

Does Caesar rule, or do you?

Things and people that compete for my loyalty:

Faithful witness:

Firstborn of the dead:

Ruler of the kings of the earth:



## ***This week @ FPCA***

Sunday 9/26

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

Monday 9/27

6:30 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring
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Tuesday 9/28

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

Wednesday 9/29

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

Friday 10/1

9:30 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
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Information for the October 3 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, Ian and Sonia Ellis and Family, 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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## Fall Festival Lunch

The Fall Festival Lunch is today at 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall.  
Come and enjoy Mexican food and fellowship!

## 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](mailto:smccoybelize@gmail.com).

## Candy Donations for Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat will be Saturday, October 30 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. 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](mailto: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](mailto:russell@firstprestexas.org) or [Laura.Farnell@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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:

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

## 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](http://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.

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