November 7, 2021 First Presbyterian Church All Saints Sunday



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 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

Prayer for Preparation

God of all glory, we gather here today with the saints of every time and place to honor and praise your holy name. As you have revealed your mercy and might to your faithful people in every age, so let us glimpse even through our tears—the mystery of your life-giving grace and the love that even death cannot destroy; through Jesus Christ, Alpha and Omega. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Introit

Prelude

Call to Worship

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; there is no end to his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another, and shall declare your power.

All your works praise you, Lord, and your faithful servants bless you.

They make known the glory of your kingdom, and speak of your power.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

§ Hymn 375

Shall We Gather at the River

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive our indifference to your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful.

Have mercy on us, your faithless servants. Keep before us faithful people for us to follow so that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to the praise of your holy 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.

All Saints Remebrance

"Enter In" Moment

Congregational Refrain: Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God. see names on page 4

Philip P. Bliss

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It Is Well

For All the Saints

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Matt Annen

Proclaiming

Psalm 91

Hymn 43

On Eagle's Wings

Congregation sings stanzas 1 and 4, and all refrains. Cantors: AJ Baker and Neylan Loffredo

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

Hebrews 12:1-2 New Testament Reading New Testament page 226 Anthem Jackson Berkey Amazing Grace Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed! Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come. 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home. When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, I once was blind, but now I see amazing grace for me! Amazing grace! Gospel Reading Matthew 25:14–30 (NTE) The Sermon Enter In... Now Rev. Campbell The Offering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives Offertory BEACH SPRING Dale Wood Ring of Praise Handbells Shina Heo, organ

The Table

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 below)

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

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.

Prayer after Communion

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Sending

\$ Hymn 840	It is Well with My Soul	Ville Du Havre

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

Kristina Langlois

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The Lord's Prayer for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington, Texas Our Fa - ther who art in heav hal-low-ed be thy en, _ name;_ Thy king-dom Thy will be done on Earth as come; 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 from vil: er e us For Thine is the king-dom, and the pow-er, and the glo - ry, for - ev-er and ev-er. А men. _

Remembering the Saints

Lois and Richard Ankele, Marlene Baker, Shirley Bragg, Ken Burt, Patricia Caldwell, Robert "Bob" Campbell, Allena Coburn, Candida Costa, Mitch Dailey, Andrew "Jack" Gray, Clement Gwandiku, Margery Harrand, Dorothy Homstad, Ron Jordan, Michael Kemp, Barbara Kraemer, Margaret Loudermilk, Allen Miller, Lydia Santana Rodriguez

Those who have lost loved ones this year are invited to take a rose from the display after the service.







43 You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord On Eagle's Wings (Psalm 91)



Sermon Notes

Enter in... Now

Hebrews 12:1-2; Matthew 25:14-30 (NRSV)

The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids

The Parable of the Talents

The Story of the Sheep and the Goats

Timing and procrastination are two of the greatest barriers of our giving and generosity.

What can I do now even it seems minimal?

"Motion is lotion."

This week @ FPCA

Prayer Ministry

Sunday 11/7			Prayers for those with health and other concerns:
	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	Sunday School Worship in Sanctuary Children & Youth Music Ministries	Apana Agha, Jack Bos, James (Andrew) Bridges, Carol Browning, Vannah Caylor, Frank Coburn, Edna Collins, Lloyd Counts, the Ellis Family, the Farnell Family, Don Farrell, Yvette Fielder, the
Monday 11/8	6:30 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring	Formusoh Family, the Gifford Family, Joe and Lila Glenn, the Gottmann Family, Andrew Hydock, Bob Johnson, Tim Karnes (Pat May's son), Gary Lindley,
Tuesday 11/9	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class Tues. Morning Women's Bible Study	Pat May, Barbara Mooers, Jim L. Quick, Jillian Reynolds, Joan Reynolds, Beth Rotert, Kathy Rotert, John and Donna Vickers, and Nancy Welborne.
Wednesday 11/10 Thursday 11/11	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study Quilting Chancel Choir	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, Ryan Powell, Ryan Regalado, Peyton Steeno, Christopher Young, Robbie Wallace
	4:00 p.m.	Fellowship Team Mtg	Prayers for our home-bound members:
Friday 11/12 Saturday 11/13	9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Senior Flexibility Class Wedding Rehearsal Wake of Clement Gwandiku (JK Event Ctr)l	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.
Saturday 11/15	4:30 p.m.	Alexander/Hett Wedding	Prayers for those who do not know Christ

Information for the November 14 bulletin should be turned in to Kim at the church office by this Monday.

If you have any congregational care needs, please contact Pastor Chris Campbell at 817-274-8286.

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Teacher Thank you Notes for McNutt Elementary

We are seeking thank you note writers for expressions of gratitude for the teachers and staff at McNutt Elementary. This school is Title 1 with limited parent involvement, and we are coordinating an effort to write notes to its 78 teachers and staff to encourage and express appreciation in the month of Thanksgiving.

We plan to coordinate this effort through Sunday School classes, but would welcome participation from anyone who is interested. Blank cards are provided and are due in the basket near the church library by Sunday, November 14th. If you would like to be involved or would like more information, please contact Laura.Farnell@gmail.com or Suzie McCoy smccoybelize@gmail.com or call the church office.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone with all of your help and support with Trunk or Treat. It was a great time to interact with the community, show the love of Christ, and let people know that the church is open and active. We gave out about 270 bags of candy.

Children also enjoyed making giant bubbles, playing games, winning prizes, and getting a book. Snacks and water bottles were available and there was an area set-up for pictures. We also had some police officers giving out candy and letting people look at their vehicles. It was a great time. Thank you for helping to make it happen.

We Need Help with Thanksgiving Distribution!

Arlington Charities needs volunteers to help distribute Thanksgiving bags to their clients.

Wednesday, November 17 & Thursday, November 18

Shift 1: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Shift 2: 12:30 PM - 3:15 PM

Please RSVP with Georgia at Georgia@arlingtoncharities.org 817-275-1511 X107

Thanksgiving Dinner

Come one, come all to the Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, November 14, at 3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall! The Fellowship Team will provide meat, rolls and dessert.

If your last name starts with:

- A through G bring potatoes or dressing
- H through O bring vegetables
- P through Z bring salad

Look forward to celebrating this season of Thanksgiving with everyone!

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.

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

The Monday Night Women's Bible Study will meet in the Parlor on Monday, November 15, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. No meal will be served, please eat before coming or bring your brown bag.

The 2021-2022 study is the Horizons's study What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus. Chapter 2 is our study for the month.

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). Contact Debbie Richardson for a study guide, \$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!

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.

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:

November 19; December 3

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.