

May 1, 2022

First Presbyterian Church

The Third Sunday of Easter



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: Matt Annen
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

Jesus Christ, Our Saviour, Who Conquered Death

J.S. Bach

Prayer for Preparation

Living Lord, you meet us in unexpected places and surprise us with the abundance of your love. Feed us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit so that we may follow you this day, and always; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Introit

Hallelujah!

G. F. Handel

Call to Worship

O Lord our God, we praise you.

We cried to you for help, and you answered us.

You have restored our lives;

You have rescued us from the grave.

\$ Hymn 667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

\$ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Lord God, in the light of your glory we see the evil we have done, the suffering we have caused, the good we have refused, and the truth we have denied.

Heal us of our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with your grace, so that we may follow your way and tell the good news of the gospel. 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

New Testament Reading

Revelation 5:11-14

New Testament page 248

Children's Time

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

Anthem

Ubi Caritas (sung in Latin)

R. Farnell

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Simul quoque cum beatis videamus,
Glorianter vultum tuum, Christe Deus:
Gaudium quod est immensum,
atque probum,
Saecula per infinita saeculorum. Amen.
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Amen.*

*Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be glad in Him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.
And may we with the saints also,
See Thy face in glory, O Christ our God:
The immense joy
that is so good,
Through the infinite ages of ages. Amen.
Where charity and love are, God is there.
Amen.*

Psalm 30

Responsive Reading

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol,
restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment; **his favor is for a lifetime.**

Weeping may linger for the night, **but joy comes with the morning.**

As for me, I said in my prosperity, **"I shall never be moved."**

By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain;
you hid your face; I was dismayed.

To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication:

"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit?

Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!"

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth
and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

The Sermon

Emotional Rollercoaster

Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 215

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

The Offering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory

Low in the Grave

Lani Smith

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

Sending

\$ Hymn 265

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

\$ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Festival March on Maccabaeus

Aaron Miller



The Lord's Prayer

for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington, Texas

Musical notation for "The Lord's Prayer" in 3/4 time. The melody is written on a single staff with a treble clef. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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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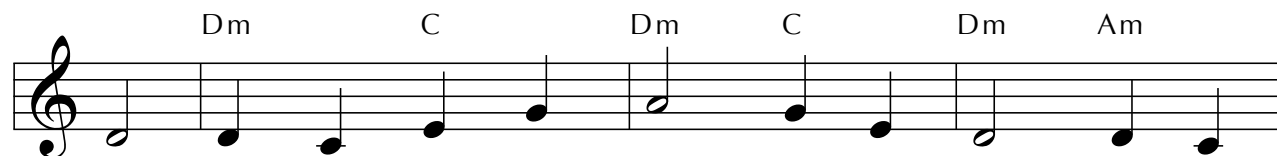
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 2 Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I
 3 Let earth's wide cir - cle round in joy - ful notes re -
 4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di -

cries: may Je - sus Christ be praised! A -
 find: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Or
 sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let
 vine: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be

like at work and prayer to Je - sus I re -
 fades my earth - ly bliss? My com - fort still is
 air and sea and sky from depth to height re -
 this the e - ter - nal song through all the a - ges

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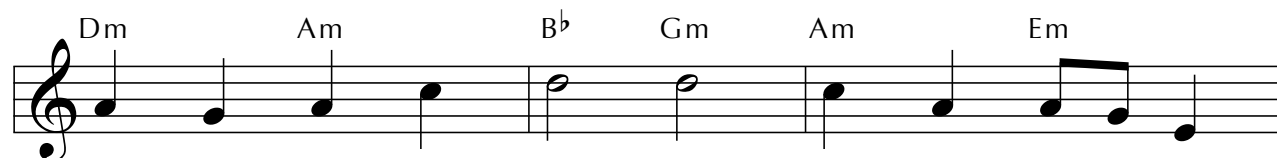
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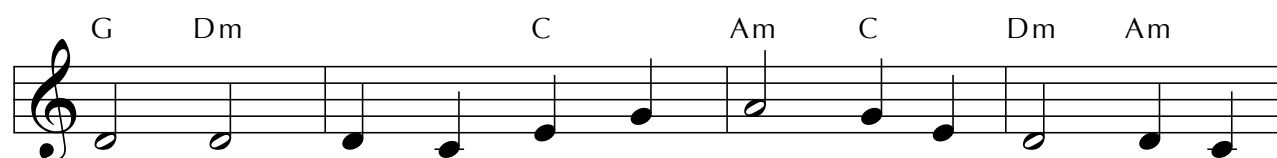
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 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing
 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



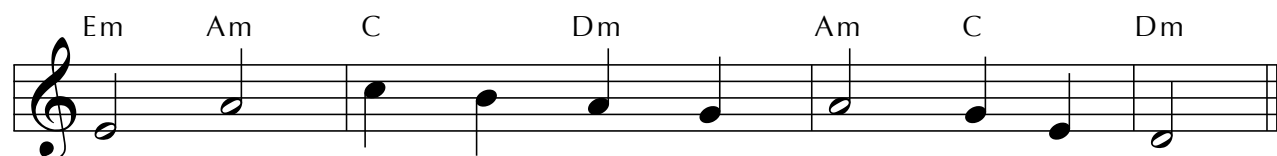
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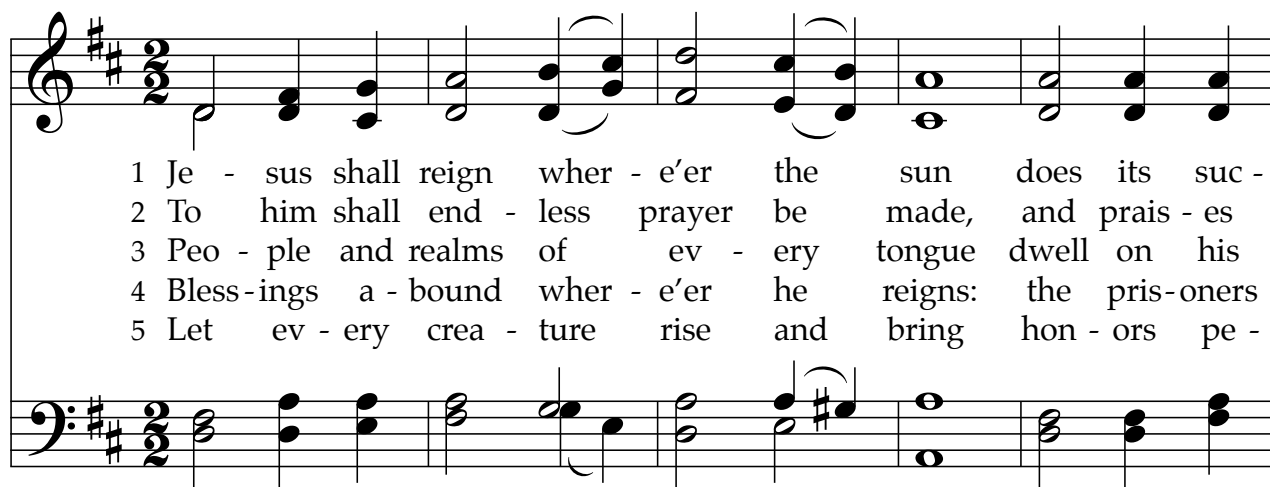


bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my
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 be, and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing

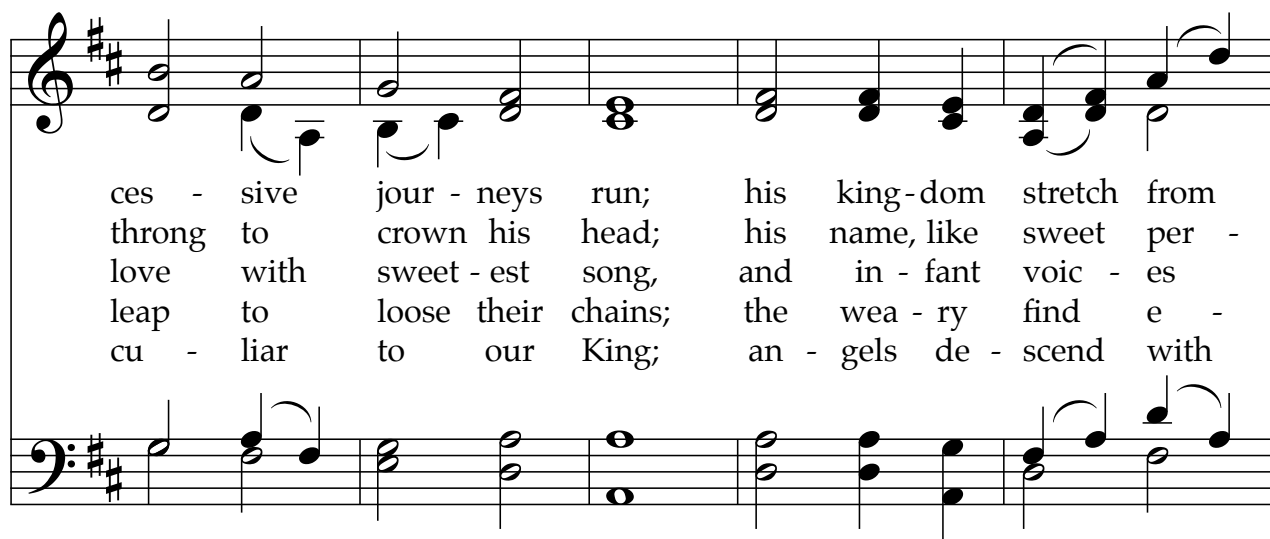


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 sing; while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
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1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of 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!

Sermon Notes

Emotional Rollercoaster

Revelation 5:11–14; Psalm 30

“Life is what happens while you’re busy making plans.” - John Lennon

But when it comes to God, Isaiah chapter 65 tells us that we belong to a God “whose eagerness to be sought is infinitely greater than our seeking and who will answer even before we call.” Karl Barth embraced this theology when writing about the doctrine of creation when he wrote that we and everything that surrounds us was created because God so greatly desired to be God with and for us.

When we divert from the path God has set before us and blaze our own path, it is no wonder we feel distant from God.

“I always give God the glory. I never question why things happen the way they do. God is in control of my life and I know if nothing else, I’m standing on the rock.” - Colt McCoy

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 5/1

9:45 a.m.	New Members Class
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary

Monday 5/2

6:30 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring
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Tuesday 5/3

9:30 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
10:30 a.m.	Tues. Morning Women's Bible Study
7:00 p.m.	Psalms for Prayer Women's Bible Study

Wednesday 5/4

8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m.	Quilting
12:00 p.m.	PCHAS Luncheon
6:00 p.m.	Handbells Rehearsal
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday 5/6

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

Information for the May 8 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, Christine Apperson, Jack Bos, James (Andrew) Bridges, Carol Browning, Billie Jo Campbell, Kaiden Carter, Vannah Caylor, Frank Coburn, Edna Collins, Lloyd Counts, Cyprian Engwenyi, the Farnell Family, Don Farrell, Joe and Lila Glenn, the Gottmann Family, Andrew Hydock, Tim Karnes (Pat May's son), Gary Lindley, Pat May, the Mooers Family, Mark Moore, Christopher & Victorine Ngochi, Jim L. Quick, Jillian Reynolds, Joan Reynolds, Beth Rotert, Kathy Rotert, Tonya Scrabeck, Jamee Shroyer, John and Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Danny Womble.

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Mike Mancini, Amie Murtha, Stephen O'Neil Sosa, Colin Peden, Ryan Powell, Peyton Steeno, Christopher Young, Robbie Wallace

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Esther Albright, Tom and Bobbie Fowler, Barbara Hughes, Jeanne Malone, Charlene Miller, Betty Snowden, Connie Taylor, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight, Mary Jane Wright.

Prayers for those who do not know Christ

If you have any congregational care needs, please contact our Parish Associate, Jim Shroyer at 682-445-0155.

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New Members Class

Today begins the 3-week New Members class, *Fixin' to Join – An Adventure in Christian Community*, at 9:45 in the church Library. We will share some about our faith journeys, the basics of Presbyterianism, where God is calling FPCA, and how you can become further connected with the people and programs of this congregation.



Presbyterian Children's
Homes and Services

A luncheon event benefiting
the children of PCHAS

May 4, 2022
12:00 pm

Location
Ridglea Country Club
3700 Bernie Anderson Ave
Fort Worth, TX 76116

RSVP
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Congregational Luncheon - Sunday, May 15 at 12 noon

Mark your calendars now so you don't miss out on our lunch following the worship service May 15 in the Fellowship Hall. All members and guests are invited to attend.

Not only will we have special food (thank you as always Fellowship Team), but we'll be hosting special guests. More details to follow.

Pentecost Offering

This year our Pentecost Offering is received officially on the Day of Pentecost, June 5, 2022. As with all Special Offerings, times before and after this date are appropriate for donations also. On Pentecost Sunday, we join Christians around the world to celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit to the church.

The Pentecost Offering unites us to support young people in Christ. Forty percent of the offering stays locally and this year will go to HOPE Tutoring as decided by the Mission and Evangelism Team with Session approval. The other percentage will support General Assembly ministries for youth development.

Stay up to date on the Pentecost Offering on www.pcusa.org/pentecost, twitter.com/pcusa or facebook.com/spoecialofferings.

Offering envelopes are available outside the chapel and sanctuary several weeks before the offering and after for several weeks. Please use the Pentecost envelopes or designate on your check or other envelope if you are giving to the Pentecost Offering.

Please help aid youth programs in our church as well as our country and world. The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start and a solid foundation of faith from childhood through young adult. The theme this year is Building a Life of Faith. The Bible verse is from Jeremiah 29:11, "I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, to give you a future with Hope."

Children's Ministry Activities

Vacation Bible School is June 6-10 from 9:00 to noon for children 4 years old to 6th grade. The theme is Make Waves: What You Do Today Can Change The World Around You. The memory verse is John 7:38 "Whoever believes in me.. rivers of living water will flow from within them." Kids will enjoy Bible lessons, games, snacks, arts and crafts, and magic tricks.

Please scan the QR Code below with a smart device to access the registration form.



or type the following URL into a browser - <https://forms.gle/ZKoY3QAzGXT4PwRF7>

Kids Night Out is May 6 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for kids in 6th grade and younger. Kids will enjoy pizza, games, a Bible lesson and connecting with other kids. Parents/guardians can enjoy some time without the kids. This is our last Kids Night Out for this school year.

Senior Flexibility Class

Come get fit with us! The Senior Flexibility Class will meet each week on Tuesday and Friday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

There is no charge, but participants will be responsible for purchasing and storing their own exercise equipment. If interested, contact Mary Spencer at 817-689-0526.

Family Summer Camp (includes parents, children, and youth)

Mark your calendars! Summer Camp for our youth is back and will happen on Friday, August 5 and Saturday, August 6 at Riverbend Retreat Center in Glen Rose, Texas! After a couple of years of missing out on camp because of Covid, we are happy to have summer camp again. We are also excited to announce that this year's camp experience will look a little different.

This year we will host a Family Camp where the entire family (parents, children, and youth) can join us on the adventure. What does this mean? This means that the entire family can come and take part in all the craziness that comes with camp. Kyle Terwilliger, Director of Children's Ministry, and Adrian Rodriguez, Director of Youth Ministry, will be working together to lead bible time, devotion, and activities for children and youth at camp. There will be special lodging for parents to stay with children and separate cabins for youth and leaders. More specific details to come in the coming weeks.

Please contact Adrian Rodriguez at adrian@firstprestexas.org or Kyle Terwilliger at kyle@firstprestexas.org if you have any questions.

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!