July 17, 2022 First Presbyterian Church

Sixth 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: Larry Stephenson 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

Minuet

John Dixon

Prayer for Preparation

Prelude

Almighty God, you brought creation into being through Christ, and in Christ all things find their purpose. Open our eyes to see the world as your gift and to use your gifts for the sake of Christ, that through the witness of our lives the gospel may be proclaimed to all people. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

In Jesus Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

Through him God was reconciled to all things in heaven and on earth,

Even to us, that we might be holy and blameless before God.

In awe and gratitude, let us worship the Lord our God.

§ Hymn 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Austrian Hymn

§ Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have been distracted with many things and have not loved you with our whole heart and strength. We have not paid attention to your Word.

We have allowed the poor to be neglected and the weak to be oppressed.

We have been impatient in worship and insincere in our dealings with others.

We have ignored signs of injustice and disregarded warnings of judgment.

Forgive us, we pray, and teach us repentance. Free us from our habits of pride, and make us steadfast in faith, that we may live as those who are reconciled with you in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

§ 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 52										Resp	onsive	Reading
Refrain												
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Ð	God	brings	jus - 1	tice.	Sing	out	your	1	praise.			
Why do you boast, O mighty one, of mischief done against the godly?												
All day long you are plotting destruction.												
Your tongue is like a sharp razor, you worker of treachery.												
You love evil more than good, and lying more than speaking the truth.												
	You love all words that devour, O deceitful tongue.											
Refrain												
But God will break you down forever; he will snatch and tear you from your tent; he will uproot you from the land of the living.												
The righteous will see, and fear, and will laugh at the evildoer, saying, "See the one who would not take refuge in God, but trusted in abundant riches, and sought refuge in wealth!"												
Refrain												
But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God.												
I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever. I will thank you forever, because of what you have done.												
In the presence of the faithful I will proclaim your name, for it is good. Refrain												
Children's Time Children (age	3 to fou	rth grade)	are invite	d to go to	o Kids Fo	or Chi	rist (K	(FC)) in th	e Fell	owship	Hall.
New Testament	Reading	8		Acts 6:	1–7				New	Testa	ıment j	page 123
Anthem			With	a Voice	of Singir	ng					Mar	tin Shaw
With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, "Alleluia!" Utter it even unto the ends of the earth,												
"The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia!" O be joyful in God, all ye lands, O sing praises to the honor of his name, make his praise to be glorious.												
With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, "Alleluia!"												
New Testament I	Reading			Acts 6:8	-14				New	' Testa	ament	page 124
Sermon			Grov	wing and	Glowin	g					Rev. C	ampbell

\$ Hymn 494	Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts	Quebec			
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.					
Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Liv	ves				
Offertory	Petit Trio	John Dixon			
	ssings flow; praise Him, all creatures here belo host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Ame				
	ne invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; and on earth were created, things visible and	Colossians 1:15–20 invisible.			
All things have been created and in him all things hold t	d through him and for him. He himself is befo ogether.	ore all things,			
He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.					
Sending					
\$ Hymn 700	I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me	I'm Gonna Live			
§ Charge and Benediction					

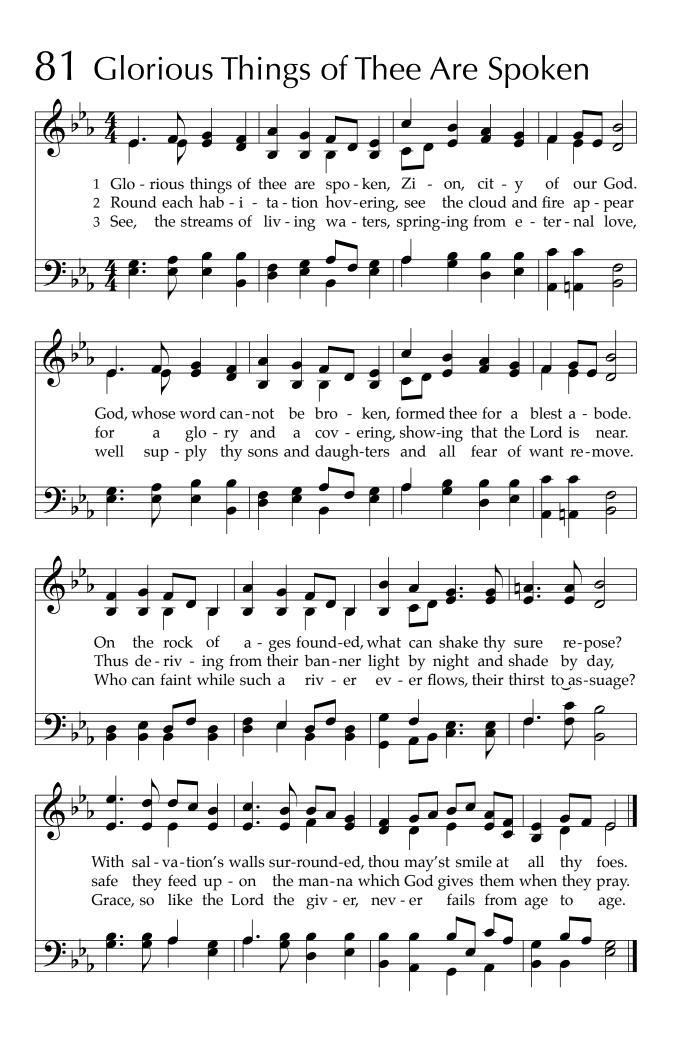
Responding

Postlude

Joyful Rondo

John Dixon









Sermon Notes

Growing and Glowing Acts 6:1-14

Growth came because of a crisis.

Growth is seen through the church's response to the crisis.

That growth is blessed.

The growth of the church is seen in the example of glowing Stephen.

Book Study

Join Pastor Chris in a virtual summer book study! Beginning on Tuesday, July 19th, participants will discuss chapter by chapter Thom Rainer's book "The Post-Quarantine Church." Anyone who wishes to participate needs to register using the Google Form at this link: shorturl.at/oqyz4. You can also call the church for more information.

Participants should purchase their own copy of the book. You may purchase Thom's book at ChristianBook.com, Amazon.com, or wherever you prefer. Study times will be on Tuesdays from 12-1pm and 6-7pm.

Family Camp - Godliness: Living Out The Truth

We are about 3 weeks from our Family Summer Camp on August 5-6 at Riverbend (1232-C County Road 411B, Glen Rose, Texas 76043) and we can't wait!

We will officially arrive at camp on Friday, August 5 at 11am and depart on Saturday, August 6 at 6pm. Also, the camp cost for the entire family will be \$25. On the registration form there will be a link where you can make a payment online.

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Please do not hesitate to contact Adrian Rodriguez at adrian@firstprestexas.org or Kyle Terwilliger at kyle@firstprestexas.org with any questions.

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.

Help Needed for Teachers!

Carter Jr. High Teacher Supply Drive

Even though it's July, teachers are beginning to gear up for the start of school! Mission and Evangelism is again collecting supplies for teachers at Carter Jr. High to help stock their classrooms.

Below are the supplies they have requested: Pencils, Pens, Spiral Notebooks, Notebook Paper, Dry Erase Markers and Highlighters



Here are options for you to help to provide teachers with supplies: You can bring them to church on Sunday, July 17 or Sunday, July 24 Drop them off during the week in the collection boxes or in the church office Order in bulk from Amazon and have them delivered to the church.

Thank you for assisting teachers at the start of this school year!

HOPE Tutoring - NIGHT OF HOPE Fundraiser

HOPE Tutoring is having its annual NIGHT OF HOPE fundraiser Friday, August 12, at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Tickets are \$50 for dinner, Lotus Quintet (jazz ensemble), speaker Dr. Cavazos – AISD Superintendent and silent auction and raffles.

Online reservations at www.hopetutoring.org/noh, 2022 Night of Hope contact Melina Peña or Manual LeBlanc if you have questions.



Help us stock the shelter!

We are working hard to serve as many as 120 residents by the end of the summer.

As we continue to increase our occupancy, we need your help to Stock the Shelter with operational supplies that help focus our attention on the thing that matters most- our residents. Your donations play a critical role in the care we are able to provide for our residents and directly support them as we aid them in navigating homelessness.

Go online to :

https://arlingtonlifeshelter.org/get-involved/first-annual-stock-the-shelter-drive.html to see what is on our Amazon and Walmart shopping wish lists. Shop at any store or donate gift cards – thanks for anything you do.

Donations will be accepted through Saturday, July 23rd. If you prefer to drop items off in person, you can bring them to us directly to the eastside door at 325 W. Division Street Arlington, Texas 76011.

Thank you!

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

The Monday Night Women's Bible Study will resume Monday, September 19 at 6:00 p.m. The 2022-23 study is the Horizon's *Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight.*

If you are new to this group and would like to participate, please contact Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) so she can add your name to the study guide order. Please reply to her by Monday, July 18. Questions? Contact Debbie at 817.675.2867 or Sheri Quick at sheriq@aol.com.

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!

Friendship Pads

Please take the time to fill out the Friendship Pad in your pew. We would love to have your contact information so we can keep in touch with you.

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 7/17		
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
Tuesday 7/19		
	9:30 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
	10:30 a.m.	Tues. Morning Women's
		Bible Study
	12:00 p.m.	Virtual Book Study
	6:00 p.m.	Virtual Book Study
Wednesday 7/20		
·	8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Quilting
	7:00 p.m.	CWF Women's Bible Study
Friday 7/22		
,	9:30 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
Saturday 7/23		
Saturday 7725	1:00 p.m.	Memorial Service for Jim Holcomb

Information for the July 24 bulletin should be turned in to

Kim at the church office by this Monday.

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Prayer Ministry

Apana Agha, Shannon Annen, Christine Apperson, Jack Bos, James (Andrew) Bridges, Carol Browning, Billie Jo Campbell, Vannah Caylor, Frank Coburn, Edna Collins, Lloyd Counts, James Ditto, Cyprian Engwenyi, the Farnell Family, Don & Betty Farrell, Bunny Floyd, Joe and Lila Glenn, the Gottmann Family, Grady Herzog, Andrew Hydock, Tim Karnes (Pat May's son), Manuel LeBlanc, Gary Lindley, Pat May, Mark Moore, Christopher & Victorine Ngochi, Jim L. Quick, Jillian Reynolds, Aileigh Rodriguez, Beth Rotert, Kathy Rotert, Tonya Scrabeck, Jamee Shroyer, David Spencer, John and Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Shelby Wolfe, Danny Womble.

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

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Esther Albright, Tom and Bobbie Fowler, Barbara Hughes, Jeanne Malone, Charlene Miller, Carrie Pacot, 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 our Parish Associate, Jim Shroyer at 682-445-0155.

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