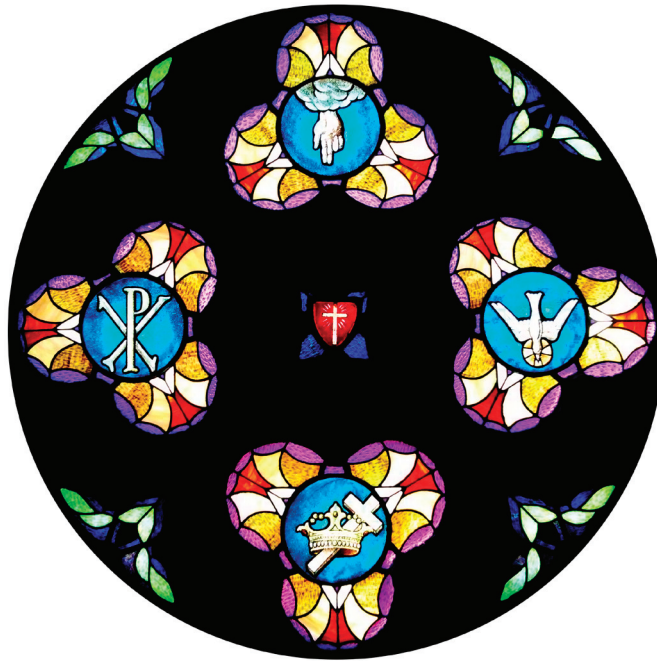


November 20, 2022

First Presbyterian Church

Christ the King 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

Liturgist: Adrian Rodriguez

Lay Leader: Lona Watkins

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 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come Tae Sook Kang

Prayer for Preparation

O God, our Redeemer, all creation sings your praise!

You are justice and mercy, judgment and grace.

*Following our Lord Jesus Christ, we seek to be faithful, ever sustained by your Spirit,
that we might stand blameless at the last with Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Chris Campbell

Introit All Praise and Thanks to God Johann Crüger

Call to Worship

Brothers and sisters, let us gather together with glad and generous hearts.

For many signs and wonders are being done among us.

Let us break bread together and share our lives in common.

**Let us give what we can to all who have needs so that all people,
no matter who they are, may regard us with good will.**

Let us devote ourselves to our prayers and to the gospel.

For in this way, God will add to our numbers every day.

§ Hymn 41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above! LYONS

§ Prayer of Confession

God of peace, we confess we are a people of fear.

We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our nights.

We have been distracted by nerves and focused on tension.

We confess we have ignored your command to not be afraid.

**Forgive us, O God. Calm our hearts, settle our stomachs,
and renew in us the ability to find our comfort in you. 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.

Going BEYOND Aristeo and Stephanie Arredondo

Proclaiming

§ Hymn 367

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

ST. GEORGES WINDSOR

Children's Time

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

Anthem

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
Cheryl Harris, piano

Claude Bass

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing;
Alleluia! Alleluia! praise the everlasting King.*

*Praise Him for His grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness.*

*Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish; blows the wind and it is gone;
but, while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the high eternal One.*

*Angels in the heights, adore Him; ye behold Him face to face;
Saints triumphant, bow before Him; gathered in from ev'ry race;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.*

New Testament Reading

Acts 2:42-47

New Testament page 120

Sermon

BEYOND Sunday

Rev. Campbell

BEYOND Commitment Response

Responding

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 Lives

Offertory

Now Thank We All Our God

Robert Lau

§ 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

Heidelberg Catechism Q. 58

What comfort does the article concerning "the life everlasting" give you?

**That, since I now feel in my heart the beginning of eternal joy,
I shall possess, after this life, perfect blessedness,
which no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived,
and thereby praise God forever. Amen.**

Sending

§ Hymn 643

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Toccatà
Donna Vickers, organ

Gordon Young



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.

Addressing the first two stanzas to the singers of the hymn and the last three to God, this free paraphrase of Psalm 104 recasts the psalmist's imagery with baroque verve. Though it was first published in England, the tune has been more popular in North America than there.

367 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit in thank-ful praise to yield,
 3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the har - vest home;
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
 from each field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
 Gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
 give the an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
 there for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in God's gar - ner ev - er - more.
 come, with all thine an - gels, come; raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

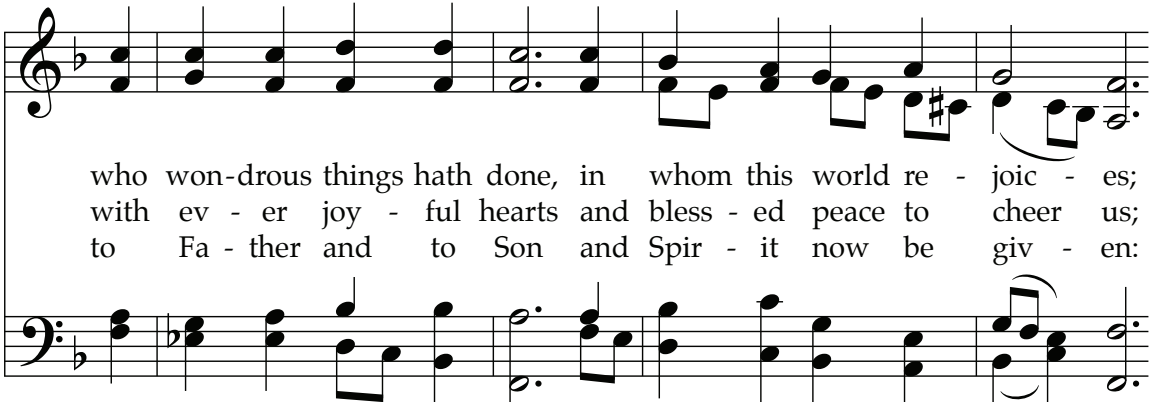


Despite its familiar Thanksgiving associations, the real concern of this text is to recall the harvest imagery Jesus used to describe the fulfillment of God's sovereignty. The tune name commemorates the royal chapel where the composer was organist for forty-seven years.

643 Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,



who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:



who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

Although this hymn is often used on large and festive occasions, its first two stanzas had much humbler beginnings: they originated as a family table prayer during the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648). These words have been associated with this tune since the mid-17th century.

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

The Monday Night Women's Bible Study will meet Monday, November 21 and will study Chapter 3. The 2022-2023 study is Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight. Class meets in the church Parlor from 6:30-7:30 p.m. In case of inclement weather, the group will not meet. Questions? Contact Debbie Richardson at 817.675.2867 or Sheri Quick at sheriq@aol.com.

Hope Has Come!

Women's Advent Kickoff Celebration

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

7:00 p.m. in the Parlor



The FPCA Women's Ministry Team invites you to enjoy a night of fellowship with your sisters in Christ as we celebrate the start of Advent - a time of anticipating the coming of our Savior. Relax and enjoy hot chocolate and treats, as we spend time with friends, and welcome in the season where we are reminded that because of Jesus, hope has come to each of us. We will have a special gift for the first 25 ladies who register...can't wait to see you there!

Registration: \$5 Online

- FPCA Website (www.firstprestexas.org) → Our Ministries → Adult Ministries
- Scroll down to Women's Ministry and register

GIFTS* * of HOPE

Coming Dec. 4!

Gifts of Hope offers a way to give a gift to a loved one, and to benefit mission organizations locally and around the world.

*It is more blessed to give than to receive.
Acts 20:35b*

Decorate the Sanctuary

Your family is invited to help decorate the sanctuary for the Advent season next Saturday, Nov. 26, at 3 p.m.

This is a fun fellowship time with your church family as well as a time to deck the halls with boughs of holly.

Come and help prepare the church, as we prepare our hearts for the Coming of Christ!

An Advent Festival

a service of worship in song

celebrating the coming of the Savior with narrator, choir, organ, and congregational carols

Sunday, December 11, 2022
11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary

featuring *Gloria: A Collage*
including the works of Vivaldi, Rutter, Poulenc, Mozart, Schubert, Haydn, and Bass



Weekly Calendar

Sunday 11/20	
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Worship in Sanctuary	11:00 a.m.
CNT Meeting	2:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
Monday 11/21	
Women's Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday 11/22	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday 11/23	Office Closed
Thursday 11/24	Office Closed
Friday 11/25	Office Closed
Saturday 11/26	
Decorate the Sanctuary	3:00 p.m.

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

The family of Jeanne Malone, Apana Agha, Jack Bos, Carol Browning, Billie Jo Campbell, Vannah Caylor, Frank Coburn, Edna Collins, Cyprian Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Bunny Floyd, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and Lila Glenn, Grady Herzog, the Hydock Family, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Gary Lindley, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Jim L. Quick, Tonya Scrapeck, Esther Teboh, John and Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Danny Womble

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, 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, Family of Jeanne Malone, Charlene Miller, Betty Snowden, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight, Mary Jane Wright, Polly Baugh, Lucy Cleaver, Madge Casselman, Elizabeth Harris

Prayers for those who do not know Christ

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