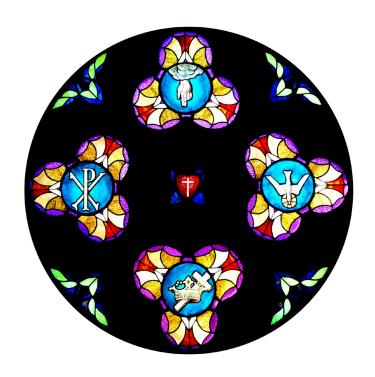
April 9, 2023

First Presbyterian Church

Resurrection of the Lord



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 Alleluias Robert Lau

Prayer for Preparation

Almighty God, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ you broke the power of death and opened the way to eternal life. As the empty tomb stands witness to his triumph over death, make your church to be a bold testimony to his enduring victory in life, that all we do may proclaim to the world, "He is risen, indeed!"

Through Christ, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Introit Festival Alleluia James Chepponis

Call to Worship

Beloved church, behold the victory of our God:

Jesus, our Lord, has conquered the grace.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Sin and death shall reign no more.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Let this place resound with joy.

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Thanks be to God.

§ Prayer of Confession

§ Hymn 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

Rev. Chris Campbell

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death.

We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death.

When we deny you;

when the risks of discipleship are high, and we are nowhere to be found;

when we wash our hands of responsibility;

when we cast our lot with powerful oppressors and seek to buy freedom with silver;

when fear keeps us from witnessing to your truth,

or prejudice keeps us from believing it, forgive us, O God.

In the bright light of Easter morning, our sin is exposed, and your grace is revealed.

Merciful God, raise us in your love so that, with joy, we may witness to your awesome deeds, in the name of Jesus, the risen one. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

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

§ Gloria Patri Meineke

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 118:15–24 Responsive Reading

Refrain



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Give thanks to the ris-en Lord. Al-le-



There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly."

I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

Refrain

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

Refrain

I thank you that you have answered me, and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Refrain

Children's Time

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

§ Anthem Hallelujah G. F. Handel

Hallelujah! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah! The kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; And He shall reign for ever and ever, King of kings, and Lord of lords! Hallelujah!

Gospel Reading John 20:1–18 New Testament page 114

Sermon Easter Close Up: Who Says God Is Dead? Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 233 The Day of Resurrection! Lancashire

Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory African Praise Choir

The angel rolled the stone away! It was early Easter Sunday morning; Mary came out running at the break of day, looking for Lord Jesus; The stone was rolled away!

He's alive! Jesus is alive forever, He's alive, amen.

He's our redeemer; He is our savior; He is our comforter; He's our king.

Here am I, oh Jesus; Draw me closer to thee. My redeemer, my savior, I am forever thine.

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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

We Know That Christ Is Raised § Hymn 485

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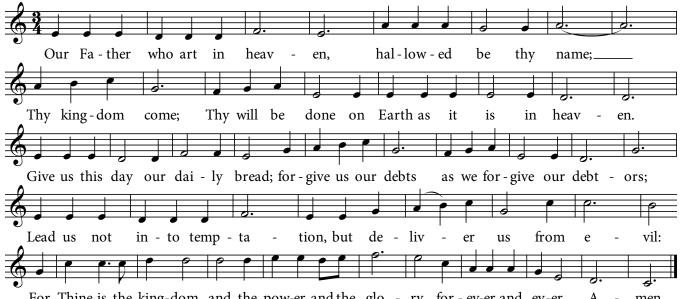
§ Charge and Benediction

Victimae Paschali Charles Tournemire § Postlude

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The Lord's Prayer

for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington, Texas



For Thine is the king-dom, and the pow-er, and the glo - ry, for - ev-er and ev-er. A men.

232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



The Day of Resurrection!



The roots of this English text come from a mid-8th century Greek hymn that continues to be used in Orthodox churches at the midnight Eucharist marking the beginning of Easter. The tune is named for the county in northwestern England where the composer was then an organist.

We Know That Christ Is Raised 485



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Beginning with an allusion to Romans 6:9, this exuberant baptismal hymn unfolds the implications of our incorporation into Christ's new life, making us "a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The text was written to fit this expansive tune by a distinguished British composer.



Spring 2028 Bible Study for Women

Tuesday, April 18, to Tuesday, May 23 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor

Understanding God's character is foundational to worship, the spiritual discipline we are highlighting this year. This Tuesday evening study will explore the richness of God's character and teach us how best to reflect those attributes in our own lives.

The study guide is \$10, and you can order it from https://thedailygraceco.com/products/the-attributes-of-god-study.

Online registration:

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

4-Week Study on Prayer

Pastor Chris will lead participants through a study of Elaine Helms' book "Prayer 101," beginning the week of April 16th. All are invited to join. The in-person group will meet in the parlor on Sundays from 1-2pm. There will be a Zoom session on Monday evenings from 6-7pm.

If child care is needed on Sundays, please let us know how many and the ages so we can be prepared.

Copies of the book can be purchased at christianbook.com: Prayer 101 by Elaine Helms

Please RSVP by emailing Pastor Chris and indicate which day and time you plan on attending: chris@ firstprestexas.org

Save the Date

May 2, 2023 12:00 pm

As your FPCA table hosts, we'd like to invite everyone to attend the luncheon that is both a "development event" and a chance to learn what services PCHAS provides. We view development in the broader sense that you might respond by supporting their services as a volunteer or a foster or adoptive parent - you might also be someone who doesn't know about, but needs, PCHAS services. The luncheon menu is Chicken Francese, as an alternate let us know if you prefer a vegetarian or gluten-free plate.

Hope you can attend - Marge and Bob Dawson

Ridglea Country Club 3700 Bernie Anderson Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76116 A luncheon event benefiting the children of PCHAS RSVP to Maria Shupe 303.718.9619 maria.shupe@pchas.org or Marge and Bob Dawson 817.980.6825 mdawsonarltx@gmail.com

VBS 2023 Registration Link

Vacation Bible School is June 5-9, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Children 4 years old to 6th grade will enjoy games, arts and crafts, a Bible lesson, snacks, and spending time with friends. The theme this year is Ready, Set, Move:

Follow Jesus Here, There, and Everywhere.

Vacation Bible School is free. Please use the QR code to register.



Weekly Calendar Sunday 4/9 Easter Sunday Brunch 9:00 am Worship in Sanctuary 11:00 am Tuesday 4/11 9:30 am Senior Flexibility Class 10:30 am Women's Bible Study **HOPE Tutoring** 6:30 pm Wednesday 4/12 Men's Bible Study 8:00 am Quilting 10:00 am Ring of Praise Handbells 6:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Christopher Young **CWF** Bible Study 7:00 pm Thursday 4/13 Fellowship Team Meeting 4:30 pm 6:30 pm HOPE Tutoring Friday 4/14 Senior Flexibility Class 9:30 am

Kids Night Out

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

The family of Elizabeth Harris, Jack Bos, Carol Browning, Bettye Burdett, Billie Jo Campbell, Edna Collins, Cyprian Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Bunny Floyd, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and Lila Glenn, Gary Lindley, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Graciela Lopez Montero, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Jim L. Quick, Tonya Scrabeck, Jim and Jamee Shroyer, Esther Teboh, John and Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Danny Womble

Prayers for family in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Amie Murtha, Ryan Powell, Stephen O'Neil Sosa, Peyton Steeno, Robbie Wallace,

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Polly Baugh, Madge Casselman, Lucy Cleaver, Barbara Hughes, Charlene Miller, Betty Snowden, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight, Mary Jane Wright

Prayers for those who do not know Christ

If you have any congregational care needs, contact Parish Associate, Jim Shroyer at 682-445-0155 or jim@firstprestexas.org

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6:00 pm