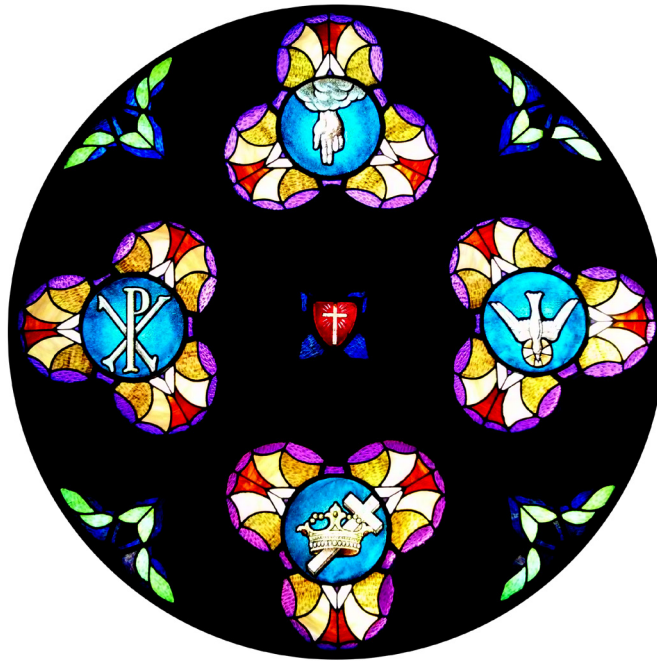


April 30, 2023

First Presbyterian Church

The Fourth 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

Liturgist: Adrian Rodriguez

Lay Leader: David Terwilliger

Organist: Cheryl Harris

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 Je Louerai l'Éternel Claude Frayssé

Prayer for Preparation

*Good Shepherd, you call us by name, and we know your voice.
Open the gate for us, that we may come and go freely, have life, and have it abundantly. Amen.*

Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Chris Campbell

Introit Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord Claude Frayssé

Call to Worship

O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.

§ Hymn 1 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! NICAEA

§ Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we confess to you and one another that we have not always followed Christ's example.
When we have been abused, we have been abusive in return. We have gone astray.
Forgive us and lead us back into your fold and guard our souls in Jesus' name. 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 40:5-10 Responsive Reading

You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;
none can compare with you.

Were I to proclaim and tell of them, **they would be more than can be counted.**

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.

Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation;

see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.

I have not hidden your saving help within my heart;

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;

I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

Children's Time

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

Anthem Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts Claude Bass

*Jesus, Thou joy of loving hearts. Thou fount of life, Thou light of men,
from the blest bliss that earth imparts, we turn unfilled to Thee again.
Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood; Thou savest those that on Thee call;
To them who seek Thee Thou art good, to them who find Thee all in all.
Our restless spirits yearn for wherever our changeful lot is cast;
Glad when Thy gracious smile we see, blest when our faith can hold Thee fast.
O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright;
Chase the dark night of sin away, shed over the world Thy holy light.*

Gospel Reading John 10:1–10 New Testament page 103

Sermon Easter Close Up: The Gate Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 629 Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee ST. AGNES

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 Nearer My God to Thee arr. Laura Farnell
Ryan Farnell, cello Laura Farnell, piano

§ Doxology LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**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!**

§ Affirmation of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism Q.38

What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

**At the resurrection, believers will be raised up in glory, will be openly acknowledged
and acquitted in the day of judgment, and will be made perfectly blessed
in the full enjoyment of God to all eternity. Amen.**

Sending

§ Hymn 628 Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord JE LOUERA L'ÉTERNEL

§ Charge and Benediction

§ Postlude Hail Thee, Festival Day Ralph Vaughan Williams



Sermon Notes

1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant

4 Ho - ly,

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

ho - ly,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

ho - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee 629

1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of thee
 2 Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
 3 O hope of ev - ery con - trite heart,
 4 But what to those who find? Ah, this
 5 Je - sus, our on - ly joy be thou,

with sweet - ness fills my breast. But sweet - er far thy
 nor can the mind re - call a sweet - er sound than
 O joy of all the meek, to those who fall, how
 nor tongue nor pen can show. The love of Je - sus,
 as thou our prize wilt be. Je - sus, be thou our

face to see, and in thy pres - ence rest.
 thy blest name, O Sav - ior of us all.
 kind thou art! How good to those who seek!
 what it is none but his loved ones know.
 glo - ry now, and through e - ter - ni - ty.

The sweetness celebrated in this anonymous 12th-century Latin poem is not cloying or sentimental; it is more like an antidote to bitterness and a source of hope and healing. The best-known 19th-century translation is set here to a tune composed especially for these words.

628 Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord

Je louerai l'Éternel

1 Praise, I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart. O
 2 Love, I will love you, Lord, with all my heart. O
 3 Serve, I will serve you, Lord, with all my heart. O

God, I will tell the won-ders of your ways, and glo-ri - fy your name.

Praise, I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart. In
 Love, I will love you, Lord, with all my heart. In
 Serve, I will serve you, Lord, with all my heart. In

you I will find the source of all my joy. Al - le - lu - ia!

FRENCH

*Je louerai l'Éternel de tout mon coeur,
 je raconterai toutes tes merveilles,
 je chanterai ton nom.
 Je louerai l'Éternel de tout mon coeur,
 je ferai de toi le sujet de ma joie.
 Alleluia!*

This simple song based on Psalm 9:1-2 was created in the mid-1970s for a morning devotional of a group touring in the picturesque high Alps. Later it was incorporated into their programs and soon spread throughout Europe and the world, being translated into many languages.

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

Spring Lunch—May 7

The Fellowship Team in conjunction with the PCHAS baseball game will be serving a Spring Lunch immediately following the church service on May 7th, 2023 in the Fellowship Hall.

Everyone is invited, so mark your calendar and plan to enjoy some tasty tacos and sides on May 7th.



UTA Baseball

May 7

After the Spring Lunch on May 7, all are invited to a UTA baseball game with our guests from PCHAS - Itasca and Waxahachie.

Tickets for the baseball game are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Please contact Bob Dawson at 214-415-5396 or Adrian Rodriguez at 817-274-8286 if you have any questions or to purchase tickets.

Last year we received souvenir autographed baseballs compliments of the UTA Baseball team and we even got a home-run ball as a souvenir.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 4/30

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship in Sanctuary	11:00 am
Children's Ministry Luncheon	12:15 pm
Children's Musical Rehearsal	12:45 pm
Prayer 101 Study	1:00 pm

Tuesday 5/2

Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 am
PCHAS Luncheon	12:00 pm
HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm
Spring Women's Bible Study	6:30 pm

Wednesday 5/3

Men's Bible Study	8:00 am
Quilting	10:00 am
Ring of Praise Handbells	6:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
CWF Bible Study	7:00 pm

Thursday 5/4

HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm
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Friday 5/5

Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Men's Conference at MO Ranch	

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Bill and Helen Moulton, Michael Njei and his family, Jo Ann Hanson, Lorna Snyder, the family of Elizabeth Harris, Jack Bos, Carol Browning, Bettye Burdett, 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, Christopher Young

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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