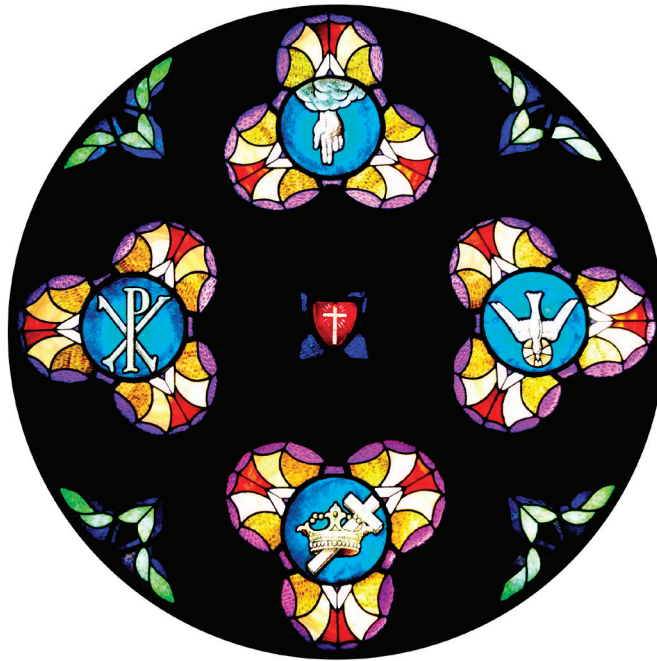


October 8, 2023

First Presbyterian Church

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Faith and Blue 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

Lay Leader: Anna Njei

Serving in Worship: Christian Women's Fellowship

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 I'm Gonna Sing so God Can Use Me Christian Women's Fellowship

The Light of Christ Konnia Formusoh, acolyte

Prayer for Preparation

Creator God, the heavens radiate your glory! You have set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a joyful bridegroom from his wedding canopy. May we emerge from night's waiting with such rampant joy that we too radiate your glory throughout this day. In the name of the Son of righteousness who has risen with healing in his wings. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

The heavens declare the glory of God!

The skies proclaim God's handiwork.

The day pronounces God's glory without a sound,

The night expounds God's knowledge without a word,

And yet their voice goes out through all the earth.

Let us join our voices with the voice of creation in declaring God's glory!

Let us worship God!

Introit He Who Gives Peace CWF Choir

§ Hymn 14 For the Beauty of the Earth DIX

§ Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts, and still you love us – you have loved us to the end.

We have denied you, and we have denied our calling to serve one another.

We have betrayed you, and we have betrayed your commandment to love one another.

Forgive us. Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us.

Teach us to love and serve one another by the example you have set for us;

in your holy name we pray. 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

Gospel Reading	John 6:64–71	New Testament page 99
Gospel Reading	John 12:1–8	New Testament page 106
Children’s Time		
Children, age 3 to fourth grade, are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in the 200 hallway.		
Anthem	Lord! You Are the Messiah	CWF Choir
Gospel Reading	John 13:21–30	New Testament page 108
Sermon	The 12: Judas Iscariot	Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 716	God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending	BEACH SPRING
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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	Some People Say I Am Elijah	CWF Choir
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§ Doxology		OLD HUNDREDTH
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**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.**

Sending

§ Affirmation of Faith	from the Westminster Confession of Faith	
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Since there is no other way of salvation than that revealed in the gospel, and since in the divinely established and ordinary method of grace faith cometh by hearing the Word of God, Christ hath commissioned his Church to go into all the world and to make disciples of all nations. All believers are, therefore, under obligation to sustain the ordinances of the Christian religion where they are already established, and to contribute by their prayers, gifts, and personal efforts to the extension of the Kingdom of Christ throughout the whole earth. Amen.

§ Hymn 838	Standing on the Promises	STANDING ON THE PROMISES
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§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude		CWF Choir
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New Members



Johnny and Bonnie Daniel

We are Johnny, Bonnie, Lula, Joely, and Rosie Daniel. We have loved being part of the caring community at First Presbyterian for nearly the past two years, and we are grateful to finally officially become members. Johnny teaches high school Business in Dallas, and Bonnie homeschools our children. We enjoy spending time with family, playing and listening to music, and exploring together in nature.



Mathias Ndip Mbeng

March 23, 2014 Elder in KEMBONG
1959-2004 PCC Department Youth Work (CYF)
1957-2017 PCC Diamond Jubilee Celebration
1957-2007 PCC Golden Jubilee (Certificate of Recognition)



Sammy and Helen Bujang

Helen and Sammy Bujang are from Cameroon, Africa. Born and raised by presbyterian parents. They wish to maintain their presbyterian faith and so have decided to be part of the FPCA. They are baptized christians and belong to the Christian women Fellowship (CWF) and Christian Men Fellowship (CMF) respectively. Sammy has hold various posts of responsibilities in the PC in Cameroon.



Kome Victor Salle and Shyrah Molina

My name is Kome Victor Salle and I am a Cameroonian in nationality. I came in America in January 2020, because of an ongoing war in my country. The Anglophone Crisis, I'm presently seeking asylum here in the United State of America. My parents are all presbyterian and I also was baptized as a presbyterian christian. I have a daughter here with a Philippine lady who happened to be a Catholic faith but I wish to baptize my daughter as a Presbyterian Christian.

For the Beauty of the Earth 14

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

In the course of many revisions, the original eucharistic emphasis of this text has shifted to a hymn of thanksgiving for a wide range of human experience, with a Christological summation. It is set here to the tune that is customary in North America, though not elsewhere.

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)
F Dm B \flat

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) (Bm)
F Dm

end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G) (D) (A)
B \flat F C

cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm) (F \sharp m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)
Dm Am Dm B \flat C F

to you, of - fering up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) (G) (D)
Dm B \flat F

rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

838 Standing on the Promises

1 Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of Christ my king,
 2 Stand - ing on the prom - is - es that can - not fail,
 3 Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of Christ the Lord,
 4 Stand - ing on the prom - is - es I can - not fall,

through e - ter - nal a - ges let his prais - es ring;
 when the howl - ing storms of doubt and fear as - sail,
 bound to him e - ter - nal - ly by love's strong cord,
 lis - tening ev - ery mo - ment to the Spir - it's call,

glo - ry in the high - est, I will shout and sing,
 by the liv - ing Word of God I shall pre - vail,
 o - ver - com - ing dai - ly with the Spir - it's sword,
 rest - ing in my Sav - ior as my all in all,

stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God.
 stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God.
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Perhaps because this hymn is so well known, its language sounds vaguely scriptural; but while there are various biblical uses of "stand" and "promise(s)," the two words are never combined. The confidence here is similar to that of "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (see no. 353).

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

Refrain

Stand - ing, stand - ing,
stand - ing on the prom - is - es, stand - ing on the prom - is - es,

stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God my Sav - ior;

stand - ing, stand - ing,
stand - ing on the prom - is - es, stand - ing on the prom - is - es,

I'm stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God.

Kids Night Out

October 20

We will be having Kids Night Out on October 6 and October 20 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for children in 6th grade and younger. Kids will enjoy games, activities, pizza, and a Bible lesson. Please invite families to bring their children.

Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat will be October 28 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. We will have candy, games, hot dogs, a bounce house, and big bubbles. This is a great time for the children of FPCA and the community. We need a lot of help to make it all happen. Below is a list of ways that you can help. Please look it over and help out if you can. If you have any questions please email Kyle at kyle@firstprestexas.org.

1. Donate Candy: Candy may be dropped off in the bins around the church, in Kyle's office, or in room 216.
2. Volunteer to decorate your trunk and give out candy: Please email Kyle or talk to him to let him know that you will do this. We will provide candy.
3. Volunteer to help with set up, games, the bounce house, or delivering candy to trunks. Please contact Kyle via email if you can do this.

Womens Bible Study Reminder

October 11

All women invited, second Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. in the church parlor. October 11 we will study Chapter 2 in our guide "Sacred Encounters: The power and presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts" Light snack is served.

Questions? Contact Debbie Ruchardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com)

Fall Family Retreat

(includes parents, children, youth, and grandparents)

Mark your calendars! Our Family Retreat is back! This year we are having our Family Retreat during the fall. Our Family Retreat this year will happen on Friday, November 17 and Saturday, November 18 at Lakeview Camp and Retreat Center in Waxahachie, Texas.

This year's Family Retreat will be similar to last years, where the entire family is invited. 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 the retreat. There will be special lodging for families to stay with children and separate cabins for youth and leaders. More specific details to come in the coming weeks.

Spots are limited so please let Adrian Rodriguez at adrian@firstprestexas.org or Kyle Terwilliger at kyle@firstprestexas.org of your interest in attending. Also, please do not hesitate to let us know, if you have any questions.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that we have an abundance of medical items that you can borrow or have if you need them either for a little while or a longer time? Please let me know how we can help you.

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| 1. tray table | 6. reachers or grabbers |
| 2. wheel chair (s) | 7. wedge pillow |
| 3. shower chair (s) | 8. bedside commode |
| 4. crutches | 9. forearm crutch |
| 5. canes | 10. tripod cane with seat |

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 10/8	
New Member Class	9:45 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship in Fellowship Hall	11:00 am
Monday 10/9	
Embrace Grace	6:00 pm
Tuesday 10/10	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:00 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 am
HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm
Fall Bible Study for Women (Virtual)	7:00 pm
Wednesday 10/11	
Men's Bible Study	8:00 am
Quilting, etc	10:30 am
Ring of Praise Handbells	6:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
CWF Bible Study	7:00 pm
Thursday 10/12	
HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm
Friday 10/13	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:00 am
Saturday 10/14	
Memorial Service for Helen Moulton	3:00 pm

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

The family of Mary Jane Wright, the family of Helen Moulton, Tina Paulk, Jack Bos, Carol Browning, Bettye Burdett, Edna Collins, Jennyfer Delgado, Cyprian Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Ivone Franzolin, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and Lila Glenn, Jo Ann Hanson, Gary Lindley, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Graciela Lopez Montero, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Aileigh Rodriguez, Tonya Scrobeck, David Spencer, Alecia Street, Esther Teboh, Susie Thurston, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Danny Womble, Carlos Zamora

Prayers for family in the armed forces:

Amie Murtha, Colin A. Peden

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Polly Baugh, Madge Casselman, Lucy Cleaver, Barbara Hughes, Betty Snowden, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight

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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