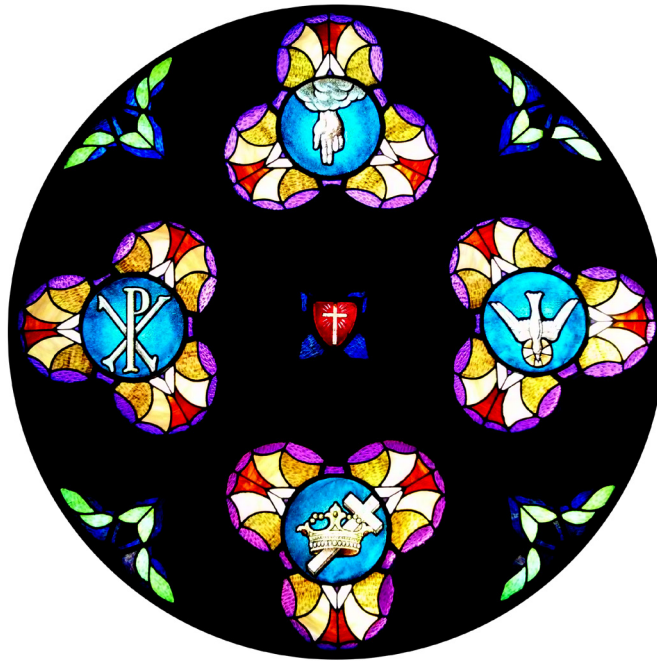


July 7, 2024

First Presbyterian Church

The Seventh 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.

Pastor: Rev. Chris Campbell

Lay Leader: Jane Leathem

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 row.*

Gathering

Prelude Nearer, My God, to Thee Marianne Kim

The Light of Christ Acolyte

Prayer for Preparation

Life-changing God, you have touched us and transformed us to reach out to all who hunger for what only you can give. Keep our feet in your paths and bless us to multiply blessings to others, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer and Lord. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

God meets us in our greatest need,
And satisfies us with divine presence and provision.
In gratitude, let us worship the Lord our God.

Introit Loaves Abound! arr. Bradley Ellingboe

§ Hymn 354 Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory BATTLE HYMN

§ Prayer of Confession

God of compassion, we are sick.
We have wrestled all night with worry instead of resting in you.
We have asserted our own goodness instead of awakening to yours.
We have turned away those who are hungry for your help instead of trusting you and feeding them from your limitless supply of blessings.
Forgive us, heal us, and help us to hold on to you.
We call upon you, for you will answer us, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

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

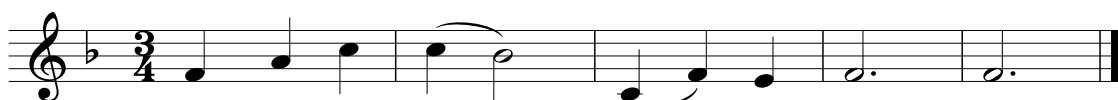
§ Gloria Patri GREATOREX

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 48 Responsive Reading

Refrain



Sing praise to God. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

Partake of the bread and cup as they are served. Place the cup in the basket that is passed.
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

§ Hymn 620

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

These Are the Holy Ten Commandments

Johann Sebastian Bach



354 Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;
 2 God has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall nev - er call re - treat
 3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,

he is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
 and is sift - ing out all hu - man hearts be - fore the judg - ment seat;
 with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me;

he has loosed the fate - ful light - ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword.
 O be swift, my soul, to an - swer; O be ju - bi - lant my feet!
 as he died to make us ho - ly, let us live to make all free,

Refrain

God's truth is march - ing on.
 Our God is march - ing on. Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le -
 while God is march - ing on.

Though its biblical roots are often overlooked, this text incorporates many apocalyptic images such as the coming of the Lord in glory (Matthew 24:30/Mark 13:26/Luke 21:27), the winepress (Isaiah 63:3; Revelation 14:19, 19:15), and the sharp sword (Isaiah 27:1; Revelation 19:15).

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry,

glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah! God's truth is march - ing on.

406 We Are Standing on Holy Ground

Holy Ground

G D A D G D Em
 We are stand - ing on ho - ly ground,
 D G F#m F#m7 B7
 and I know that there are an - gels all a -
 E Gm D A7 D G
 round; let us praise Je - sus
 D Em F#m7 G D G
 now; we are stand - ing in his
 D Em7 D G D
 pres - ence on ho - ly ground.

The phrase "holy ground" resonates with the experience of Moses at the burning bush, where he had an encounter with God (Exodus 3:5; also quoted in the martyr Stephen's sermon, Acts 7:33). The reference to angels may recall Jacob's vision (Genesis 28:12-17) or Hebrews 12:22.

620 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

(Psalm 103)

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his
 2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his
 3 Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be -

feet your trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for -
 peo - ple in dis - tress; praise him still the same as
 fee - ble frame he knows; in his hands he gent - ly
 hold him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down be -

giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!
 ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!
 bears us, res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!
 fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

This free paraphrase of Psalm 103 gains much energy and conviction by including the double "Alleluia!" before the final line of text. That repeated four-note figure descending from the tune's highest note gives voice to the praise that the rest of the hymn evokes.

Help! What should I Know about Parenting or Grandparenting?

Sunday, July 28 at 1 p.m.

Children are a wonderful gift from God. We love them and we are thankful for them. They often bring us great joy. However, they can also bring us questions and challenges that leave us wondering what we should do. Heather Hogue is a Christian counselor who is also a former public school teacher. She is coming to FPCA on July 28th at 1:00 p.m. to share some of the things that she has learned that may help us as parents or grandparents as we help children grow up and follow Jesus. We will have a luncheon for families and grandparents after the worship service. Then we will have the presentation for parents, grandparents, and soon-to-be parents at 1:00 p.m. in the Parlor. We will have activities for children and youth in the Fellowship Hall during the presentation. Everything is expected to wrap-up around 2:30 p.m.

WELCOME TEAM – help us welcome guests!

We want to make sure that guests are always welcomed when they enter our church, and that someone is available to answer any questions they may have. They may need help finding the nursery, the restrooms, etc. We have two Welcome Team members each Sunday currently, but soon will need four, when the current phase of construction is complete. Beginning June 30, there will be a Welcome Team poster and sign-up sheet in the Narthex where you can sign up to be part of the team for a particular date. Welcome Team members arrive at 10:30am and are available at a designated entrance. One team member will need to remain in the narthex for the entire service and the others can join the congregation in the sanctuary approximately 10 minutes after the service starts at 11:00am. Help us show guests that we are glad they're here! Help us make guests feel welcome!

Help us show God's love to guests by greeting them warmly and answering any questions they may have.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER(S)

If you are interested in an area of service at the church and could be present one hour a week or twice a month please contact Bob Watkins by text (817-360-2841) or email (businesswatkins@aol.com) to learn more or leave your number at the church office. The volunteerism has to do with restoring order to the pew racks between services. This could also be a great opportunity for our youth during summer break..

Wednesday Womens Bible Study

The Wednesday Women's Bible Study meets the second Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. in the church parlor from September through May.

This group will resume Wednesday, September 11. The new study is the 2024-2025 PE/Horizons Bible Study "Let Justice Roll: God's call to care for Neighbors and All Creation." A light snack is served at each meeting. Members rotate on leading the discussion and bringing a snack. All women are invited.

Study guides will be ordered around July 15. If you have not already requested a guide, please reply to Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) and request a book. Cost is \$12 per person. When the books arrive, an email will go out stating where they may be picked up and how to pay.

Questions?

Contact Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com).

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 7/7	
Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship Service	11:00 am
Monday 7/8	
Tuesday 7/9	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 am
Wednesday 7/10	
Men's Bible Study	8:00 am
Quilting, etc.	10:30 am
CWF Bible Study	7:00 pm
Thursday 7/11	
Friday 7/12	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Saturday 7/13	
Embrace Grace	11:00 am

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

The family of Jack Bos, the family of Harold Thomlinson, Lorna Snyder, Larry Spencer, Carol Browning, Bettye Burdett, Cyprain Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Ken Floyd, Ivone Franzolin, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and Lila Glenn, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Graciela Lopez Montero, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Charlie Nieman, Tina Paulk, Sheri Quick, Aileigh Rodriguez, Eleanor Schernbeck, Tonya Scrabeck, David Spencer, Jerry Tees, Susie Thurston, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Sherry and Shelby Wolfe, Danny Womble, Carlos and Jennyfer Zamora.

Prayers for family in the armed forces:

Colin A. Peden, Christopher Young

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Madge Casselman, Lucy Cleaver, 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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